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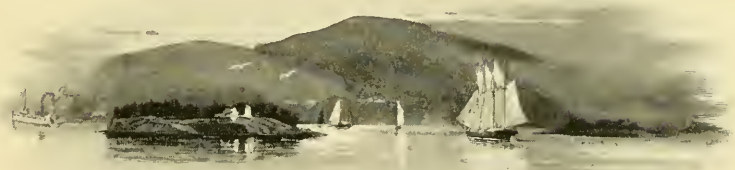
CAMDEN
on the Coast of Maine



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Situation

Lying mid-way along the irregular coast of Maine, is the broad expanse of water known as Penobscot Bay. Hundreds of islands dot its vast area, while its shores are bounded by lofty hills terminating in mountain ranges. At the base of one of the most picturesque of these mountain groups lies the village of Camden, hemmed in by the mountains, and looking directly out to the ocean in one direction, and across the bay in another.

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VIEW FROM FAIR LAWN COTTAGE

NEAR MOLYNEAUX MILLS

OFF SHERMAN'S POINT

General Description

CAMDEN is, first of all, a seashore town, with a mountain background and about five miles of coast line on Penobscot Bay. Our first illustrations show this phase of Camden's scenery. The coast is varied in the most picturesque manner by bold cliffs, pebbly beaches and

sheltered coves, with here and there a rocky headland projecting to the sea. Two of these headlands — Sherman's Point and Ogier's Point — starting from opposite sides of the mainland, form the eastern boundary of the harbor, while as an additional protection Negro Island is thrown between. These natural breakwaters make Camden Harbor the most sheltered of any on the coast, and the most picturesque to enter. Besides its seashore attractions Camden has its *mountains and lakes*, either of which would make the reputation of any other place.

This combination of mountain, lake and ocean scenery is Camden's chief attraction. Other seashore resorts may claim some one of these features, but Camden alone possesses them all. Camden has marvelous alternations of mountain and valley, beach and rock, cultivated fields and primeval forests. It has just the right commingling of wildness and softness, just the right blending of landscape opposites. There is the open sea for those who love its excitement, and the landlocked harbor for those who prefer its tranquility. Inland there are exquisite mountain lakes, set amid the cliffs, while for the hardy pedestrian there are the inviting mountain ranges. This diversity of scenery is one of the charms of a sojourn here. A mountain climb one day can be alternated with deep sea fishing the next; a yachting trip with a golf game, and boating in the harbor with canoeing on the lakes. The best general view of the mountains is from Ogier's Hill or from Melvin Heights. There are several groups of mountains, six of their summits exceeding 1000 feet in height, the official measurements as given by Dr. C. T. Jackson being as follows:* Mt. Megunticook, 1457 feet; Mt. Battie, 1325 feet; Mt. Hosmer, 1422 feet; Bald Mt., 1332 feet, and Mt. Pleasant some over 1000 feet, while Bald Peak on Belfast Road is said to be 1100 feet. Directly behind the village are Mts. Megunticook and Battie, which rise to an altitude of over 1400 feet and extend along the shore for miles.

Geographically, Camden lies on the western arm of Penobscot Bay, eight miles north of the city of Rockland, with Bar Harbor diagonally across the Bay fifty miles farther east.

* The U. S. Coast Survey gives a lower elevation to two of these summits.

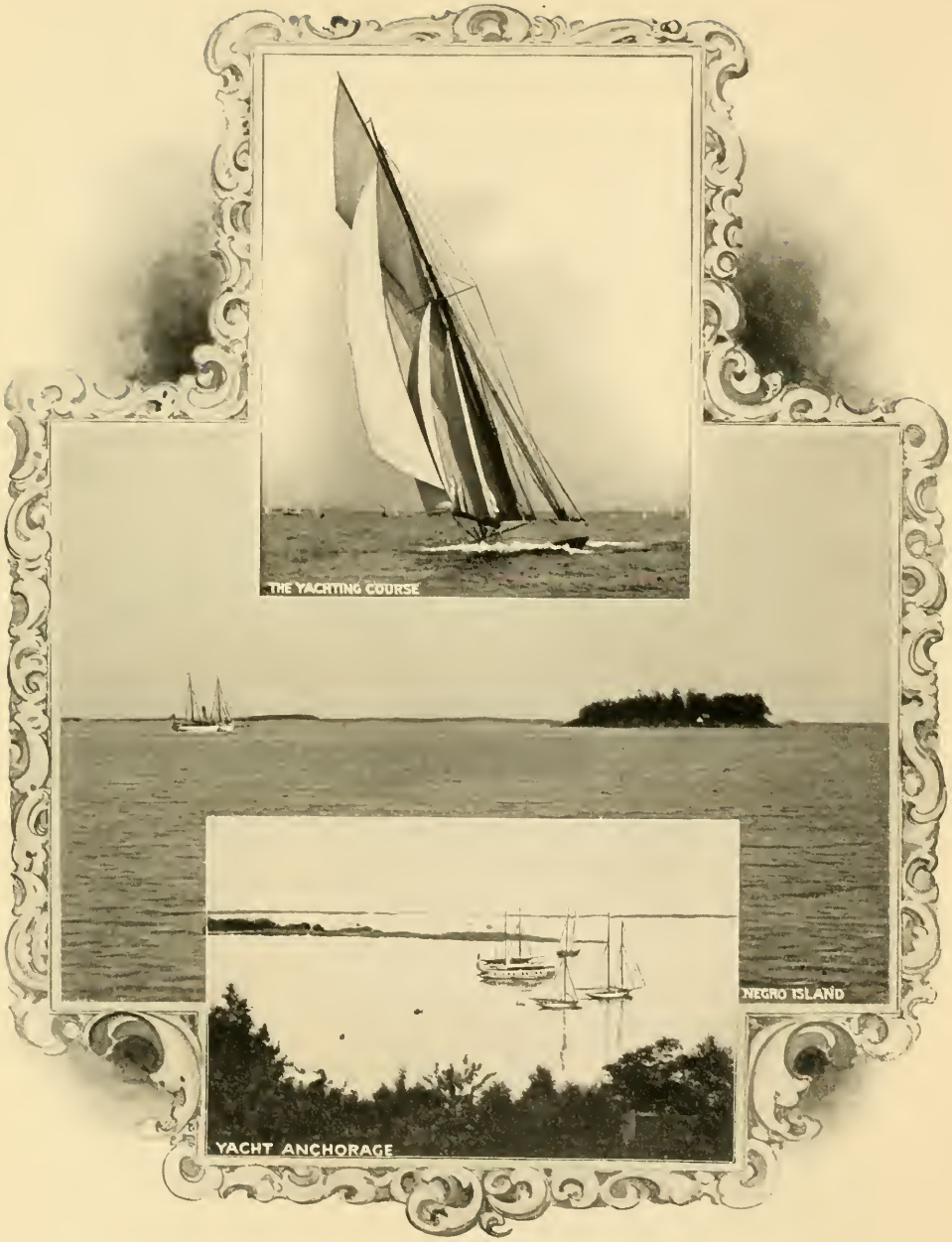
How to Get There.

Camden is reached by both steamer and rail routes. The steamer route is direct from Boston to Camden via the Boston & Bangor S. S. Co. The steamers of this line leave Foster's Wharf, Boston, every week-day at 5 P. M., and touch at Camden at 6 A. M. the next morning. The steamers "City of Bangor" and "Penobscot" are the largest of the fleet, the former being the largest side-wheel steamer in Eastern waters. She has 185 staterooms and parlors, is lighted by electricity, and has a large, airy dining-room on the saloon deck, a convenience the tourist will appreciate.

The traveller by this route has three hours of daylight after leaving Boston, with fine views of Nahant, Marblehead and Cape Ann, all of which are passed before darkness sets in. The prevailing winds are west and the summer sea is almost always smooth.

Rockland, 165 miles from Boston, is reached early the next morning, and after a short stop here the steamer heads directly for Camden, eight miles beyond.

This part of the route is the most striking of anything on the Atlantic coast. The Camden Mountains, which rapidly unfold themselves as the steamer approaches, come down to the water's edge, and almost encircle the harbor.



Familiar Sights in Camden Harbor.

Experienced travellers pronounce the entrance to this harbor equal in picturesque grandeur to many of the most noted Norwegian fiords. Many who have but a day to spare take this trip, which gives them two nights on the water and a day among the Camden Mountains.

An attractive wharf adds to the pleasure of arrival, and the absence of hackmen's cries and similar annoyances is noted with satisfaction. Camden is an unspoiled spot, a fact which is noticed the moment one lands there.

Returning, the steamer leaves Camden for Boston every week day at 6 P. M. A new steamer, still larger than the City of Bangor, is now building.

The all rail route from Boston to Camden via Boston & Maine and Maine Central Railroads is very attractive, following the sea shore most of the way and passing through Portland and Bath to the terminus at Rockland, where the electric cars are taken for Camden, eight miles distant. The electric road follows the shore and affords fine views of the mountains and bay.

During the summer there have been two day trains and one night train from Boston to Rockland with Pullman parlor and sleeping cars.

Another route to Camden is by Steamer Frank Jones of the Portland, Mt. Desert and Machias Steamboat Co., which leaves Portland at eleven P. M. Tuesdays and Fridays, connecting at Rockland in the morning with the electrics for Camden. The 7 P. M. train from Boston connects with the steamer at Portland.

THE INNER HARBOR

Types of Craft Seen in Camden Waters.

The five-masted schooner John B. Prescott was built in Camden, and is the largest schooner afloat.

Eastern Yacht Club at Anchor in Camden Harbor.

Camden is a seashore town with many traditions of a maritime past. The above portraits of three of her typical sea captains will be recognized by all who are familiar with the town. The busy shipyards indicate that Camden is still a great ship-building centre, and are illustrated on a later page.

Negro Island, at the entrance of the harbor, and only an eighth of a mile from the mainland, is a delightful spot to visit. This view gives a hint of the scenery there.

This view is the counterpart of the one on the opposite page, and shows that Camden's inland scenery is as striking as that on the seashore.

Sherman's Point.

Sherman's Point, an irregular spur of land and rock, is one of the chief attractions of Camden Harbor. The Point contains about forty acres, commands a fine view of the village and mountains, and is an ideal locality for a summer hotel, club-house or cottage community.

On Sherman's Point.

Ogier's and Dillingham's Points are on the opposite side of the harbor, and are noted for the fine view of the mountains they afford. "Edgewater," the residence of W. H. Gardiner, Esq., is on the same shore, but nearer the village. Thorndike Park is on the western side of the harbor, and is the favored location of the "Anchorage" and "Idle Hours" cottages. The following letter from Professor Genung, of Amherst College, who spent two seasons here, expresses a typical opinion of Camden.

IDLE HOURS COTTAGE,
THORNDIKE PARK.

CAMDEN, ME., August 10, 1899.

Everyone to his liking, of course. That is what I say when I see the places, sometimes very strange places, that men choose for their summer outing; I quarrel with no one's taste. But for one whose liking is for various things: who likes the sea and the mountains, country roads, charming views, bracing air, kindly neighbors—I can hardly think of a more nearly ideal combination than is afforded at Camden. I have been here two seasons, and find it a place where I can both work and rest, where the pleasures of companionship or retirement are equally accessible.

JOHN F. GENUNG.

Crescent Beach—Sherman's Point.

Sherman's Point from Norumbega.

SOME SHERMAN'S POINT VIEWS

ON SHERMAN'S POINT.

One of the sightliest spots in Camden is on the ledges recently purchased by Messrs. Wardwell, Amsden, Keep and Hillyer. These gentlemen are rapidly improving their respective properties by opening up roads, removing everything objectionable, and transforming this locality into something even more picturesque than it was originally.

View Near Cottages of E. J. Wardwell and H. F. Amsden.

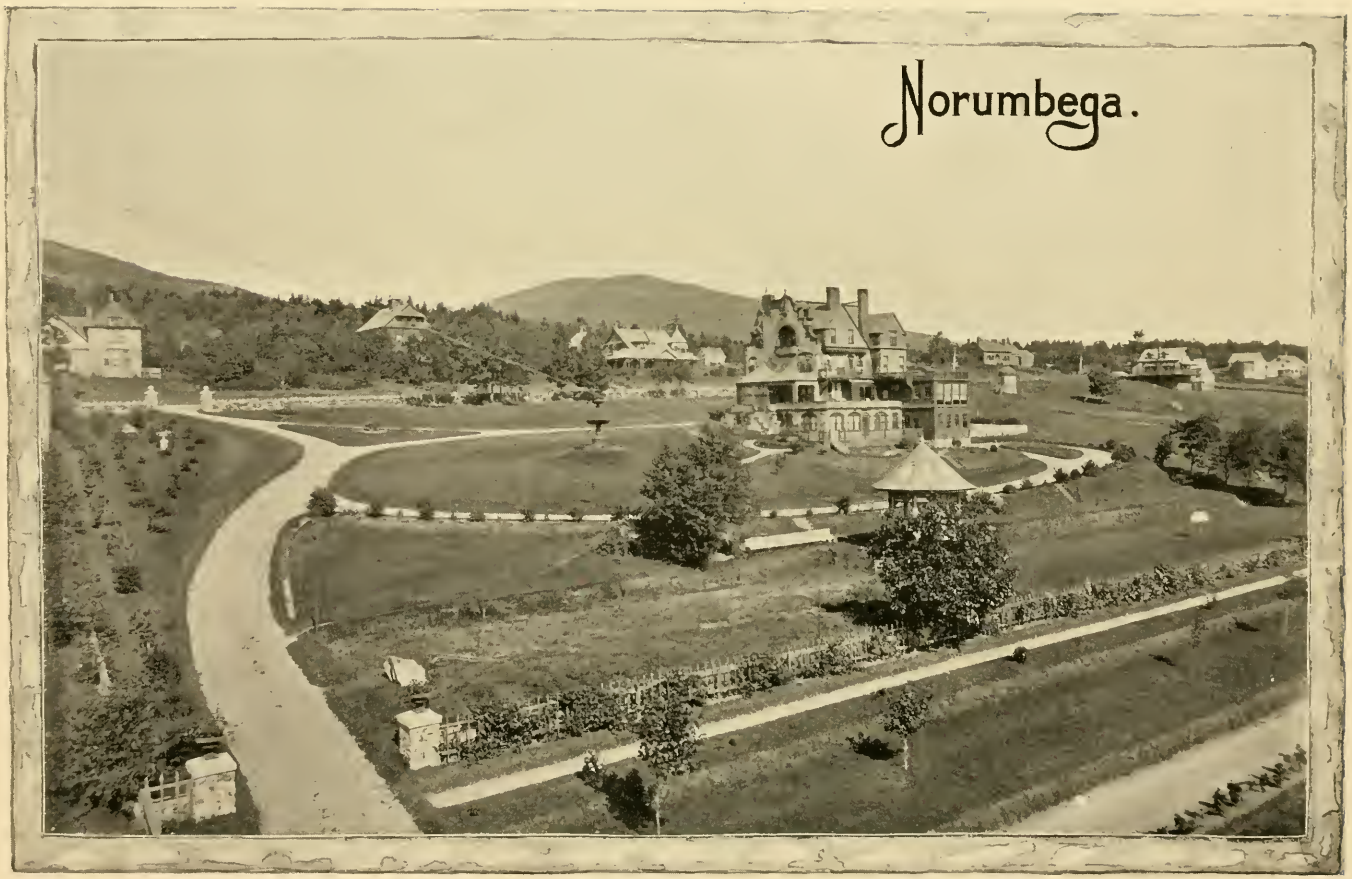
Hon. J. B. Stearns.

Camden owes much to the foresight and enterprise of the late Hon. J. B. Stearns, whose splendid residence, "Norumbega," is one of the most prominent landmarks on Belfast Road. Mr. Stearns was a firm believer in the future of Camden and made it his permanent home. Besides "Norumbega," he built a number of handsome cottages on Belfast Road, which are occupied each season by prominent people. We take pleasure in showing his portrait, which will recall recollections of one of the most genial and public spirited men Camden has ever known.

"Belfast Road," which he named and did so much to develop, is fast being dotted with beautiful houses, and new building sites are being opened up all along its extent.

Belfast Road Drive

This road, as its name implies, is the highway between Belfast and Camden, a distance of eighteen miles. It follows the shore, 165 feet above the water, and affords fine views of the bay and islands. It traverses a section which is rapidly being developed. Mr. E. J. Wardwell and Mr. H. F. Amsden are just finishing two handsome residences on the high ground overlooking the harbor and Sherman's Point. Mr. Chauncey Keep, of Chicago,



"Norumbega"—on Belfast Road—Stearns' Estate. The other cottages shown are "Kenwood," "Samoset" and "Roseland."

has purchased a commanding site in the same locality, and is erecting a house worthy of the location. Mr. A. R. Hillyer, of Hartford, Conn., has also bought an extensive tract of land in this section.

"Seacroft," the attractive residence of Mr. Reuben Leland, is also on Belfast Road. It commands a fine view of both sea and mountains, and is altogether one of the most desirable residences in Camden by the sea. It is shown on page 22.

"Kenwood," the summer home of Mrs. A. E. Waldron, is on Belfast Road, opposite Norumbega.

"The Stearns Cottages," shown on pages 20 and 21, are also on Belfast Road. For terms of rental and other particulars apply to Mrs. J. B. Stearns, Camden.

"Rockledge," the summer residence of Dr. Geo. Strawbridge, of Philadelphia, is on Belfast Road, with a fine shore frontage, about three miles from Camden Village.

Mr. Charles S. Hill, of Hill & Green, Boston, and Mr. F. M. Sawyer, of New York City, also have cottages in this vicinity.

"Baymount," the new cottage of Edward Baxter Perry, the noted pianist, is high up on the side of Mt. Battie, with a glorious view of the bay.

Ogier's Hill

This elevated spot was one of the first to be selected for a summer cottage, and Mr. A. M. Judson, of New York, is the fortunate owner of some ninety acres on the summit of the hill. His beautiful residence, "Stonyhurst," situated 200 feet above the sea, is shown on another page.

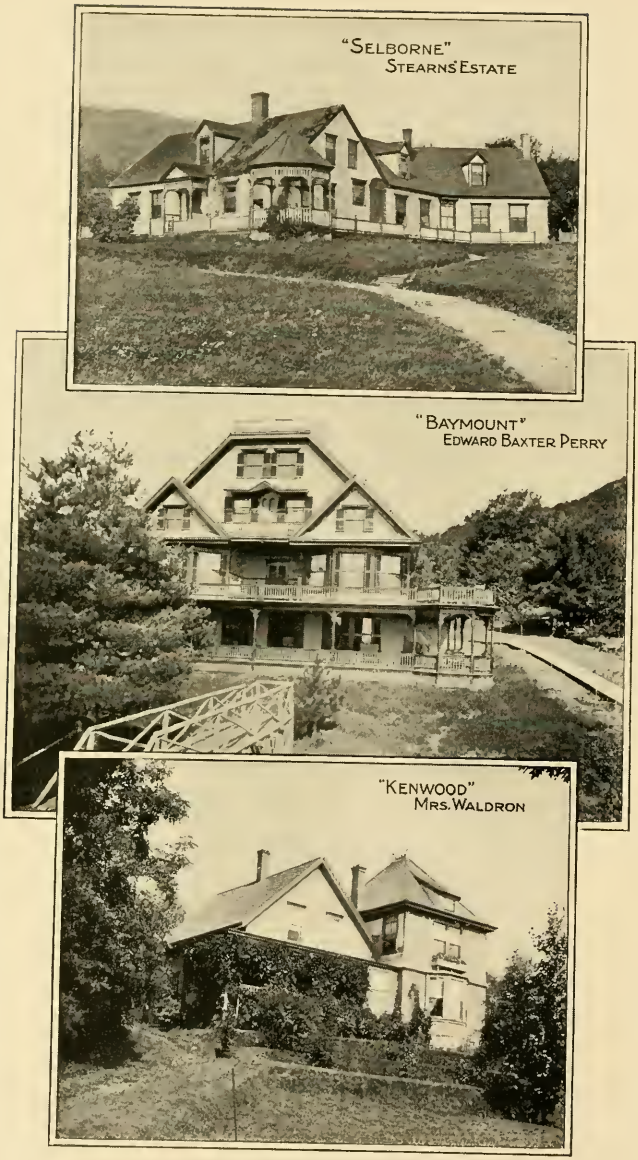
Close by is "Breeze Hill," the summer home of Lawrence F. Abbott of the Outlook Co., New York.

Dr. Lyman Abbott is a frequent visitor at "Breeze Hill," and has this appreciative word to say about Camden.

NEW YORK, Nov. 17, 1899.

To me no place can be quite so attractive as my home among the Highlands of the Hudson, but that is partly because it is home. Camden stands next; and in its rare combination of mountain, sea, and inland lake, and its combined advantages for driving, walking, fishing and sailing, and above all in the tonic of its climate, I really know of no place which quite equals it.

LYMAN ABBOTT.



Summer Cottages at Camden.

The Stearns Cottages, Belfast Road.

Typical Camden Cottages.

"Rockledge," Summer Residence of Dr. George Strawbridge.

Most of the Camden cottages are on the highways rather than on the shore. The exceptions are the cottages on Dillingham's Point, and in Thorndike Park, and Dr. Strawbridge's cottage, all of which are close to the water. The new cottages building on Beauchamp Point will also be on the water front.

Camden's coast line is greatly diversified, and offers an infinite variety of building sites.

"The Anchorage," in Thorndike Park.

Adjoining "Breeze Hill" is "Belvedere," the large cottage of W. F. Hooper, of Hooper & Buffington, Fall River, Mass.

Rev. T. M. Prudden, of West Newton, Mass., has an attractive cottage in the same neighborhood, and nearby is "Cedarcrest," the summer home of Mrs. Palmer of Lowell, Mass.

"Boulder Cottage" is another of the attractive places on the hill. Views of these cottages appear on other pages.

Ogier's Hill has the advantage of a fine view of all the mountains encircling the town, and is the present location of the golf grounds.

Negro Island
from Ogier's Hill

"Stonyhurst," Ogier's Hill. Summer Residence of Mr. A. M. Judson, New York City.

Megunticook

Golf Club . . . . . Camden, Me.

Golf Grounds, from Ogier's Hill.

Megunticook Golf Club Grounds

The golf grounds at Camden are about thirty-five acres in extent, where an excellent course of nine holes has been laid out by Alexander Finlay, the well-known Scotch professional. Every golfer knows that three things, at least, are necessary in a satisfactory golf course — picturesqueness, variety, and good turf. The Megunticook course possesses all these. It is not a long course, being only 1800 yards for the nine holes, but the "fair green" is excellent, and the putting greens, now tolerable, will be entirely satisfactory to the most exacting player after work which is already under way is completed. A small shelter house has been built, which may easily grow into a club-house deserving the name. Indeed, the "golf teas" given by the ladies of the House Committee during the summer of 1899 were quite as delightful as many held in more pretentious quarters. The writer of these paragraphs is a golfing enthusiast, and has had the pleasure of playing over some of the best courses in the country; he does not hesitate to assure any golfer who reads these lines that he or she may select Camden for a summer visit, with perfect confidence that the Megunticook Golf Club will afford an opportunity for plenty of golfing pleasure and practice.

Megunticook Golf Club

OFFICERS, 1899

President — Lawrence F. Abbott.

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House Committee — Mrs. Theodore Prudden, Mrs. Chauncey Keep, Miss Curtis, Miss Julia Dillingham, Miss Doliber, Miss Palmer, Miss Adeline Adams, Mrs. W. P. Edwards, Mrs. E. J. Wardwell, Miss Leland.

View from Ogier's Hill, near Golf Grounds.

Yachting and Boating

"The sea! the sea! the open sea!
The blue, the fresh, the ever free!
I'm on the sea! I'm on the sea,
I am where I would ever be,
With the blue above and the blue below
And silence whereso'er I go."

Camden offers exceptional advantages for yachting and boating. It has an inner and outer harbor, and beyond this the broad archipelago of Penobscot Bay.

Its inner harbor is entirely landlocked, and has at all times ten feet of water, the Government having expended upwards of $100,000 in deepening it. Here is the usual anchorage for the numerous small yachts and sail-boats owned in Camden. Sail-boats and row-boats can be rented at very reasonable rates, and nearly every summer afternoon both the inner and outer harbor are gay with row-boats filled with women and children, enjoying themselves in perfect safety.

The outer harbor, covering over a square mile, is well landlocked, with good anchorage for yachts of greater draught, the holding ground being excellent. Being mid-way between Boothbay and Bar Harbor, Camden has long been a favorite rendezvous for all yachts cruising in Eastern waters.

There are excellent facilities for coaling steam yachts, and Bird Bros. & Willey's wharf is piped for the supply of Mirror Lake water. Camden is noted for its ship-building, turning out everything from a row-boat to a six-master. This means skilled workmen, capable of re-fitting or repairing yacht sails, rigging, or hulls.

As a sailing ground Penobscot Bay is unsurpassed, being cut off from the roughness of the open sea by the outer islands, and still open to the prevailing southwest winds of summer, free from sudden puffs and squalls. All the principal, and many of the minor passages of the bay are well buoyed and lighted, and the Government charts are very full and complete.

The following are a few of the many yachting trips that can be taken :

For one day's sail the trip to Ames Cove or Dark Harbor, on Long Island, is very fine. Ames Cove is the anchorage of the fleet of yachts owned by the summer colony at Islesboro. The round trip covers about fifteen miles.

For a longer day's trip the sail around the island of North Haven is an ideal one ; passing through the famous Fox Island Thoroughfare, one of the most beautiful reaches on the American coast, nearly ten miles long and averaging about a quarter of a mile wide. From the eastern end of the Thoroughfare the return course to Camden is a little north of west ; the entire sail covering about thirty-five miles.

A day among the islands nearer to Camden makes an attractive trip.

Another day's sail is to Castine and return, circumnavigating Long Island if desired, while still another is up the bay to Fort Point, the course being close to the main shore, which abounds in picturesque scenery.

Greene's Landing, Carver's Harbor, and Hurricane Island are also interesting places, the two latter having extensive quarries, where most of the granite used in the U. S. Government buildings is quarried.

For a trip covering several days there is the famous sail to Bar Harbor, through the Eggemoggin Reach and along the rugged shores of Mt. Desert. Should the boat not have sufficient sleeping accommodations, there are small hotels available all along the coast.

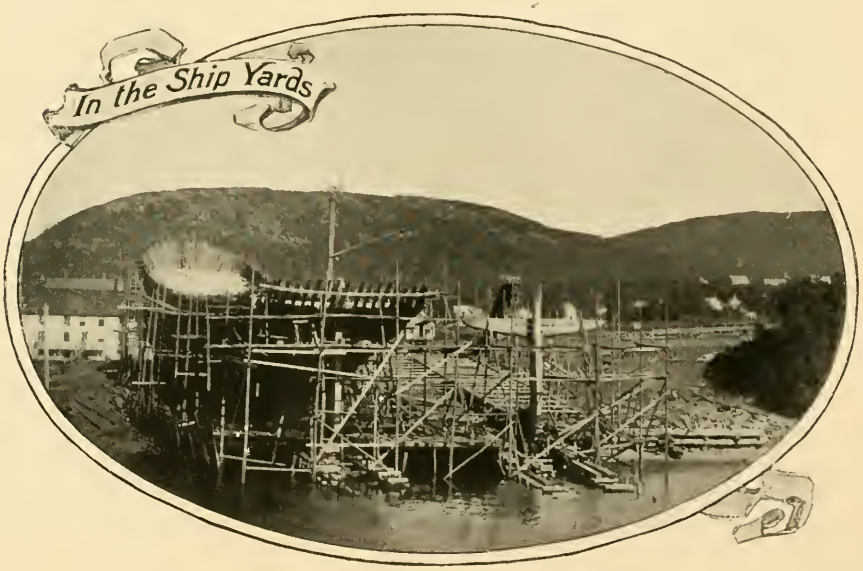
We are indebted to a resident of Camden, and an enthusiastic yachtsman, for the above article on boating and yachting. His yacht, "Tita," is shown on another page.

For fresh water boating there is fine canoeing on the lakes and river. A small steam launch makes regular trips on Megunticook Lake. Mr. J. E. Dailey can be addressed for information regarding yachts, crews, etc.

The Shipyards

Camden has a national reputation for shipbuilding. Mr. H. M. Bean is one of the noted shipbuilders of the country, and recently launched his sixty-third vessel. The five-master, "John B. Prescott," launched in January, 1899, has the distinction of being the largest fore and aft schooner afloat, carrying a cargo of 4,545 tons of coal on a recent trip. Mr. Bean is a pioneer in the matter of large vessels and has recently surprised the shipping world by taking a contract for a six-masted schooner to be launched in the summer of 1900.

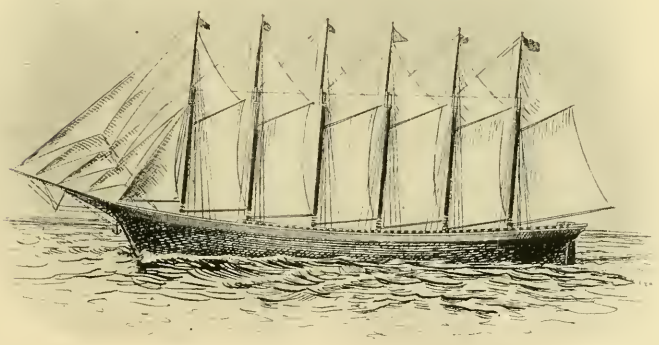
Camden's shipping prestige is still further enhanced by the Camden Anchor Works, the largest anchor factory in the country, if not in the world. Henry Alden's Oakum Works and Knowlton Bros.' Foundry are also well-known in all shipping centres.



The Output

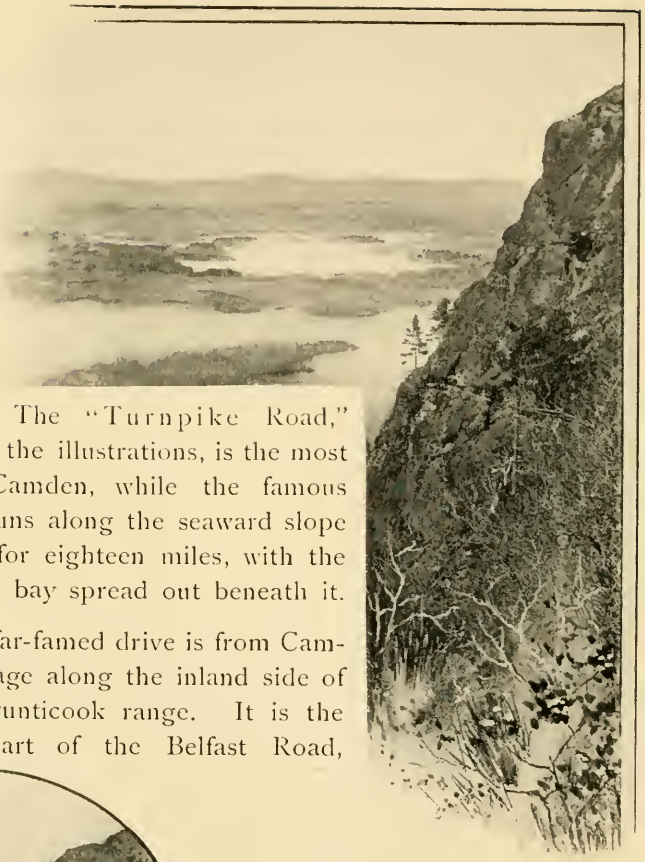
From Mr. Bean's shipyard for the year 1900 will be about 8,000 tonnage, at a cost of some $375,000. This tonnage is the largest ever turned out in a single year by any individual shipbuilder in the United States. Mr. Bean employs 100 skilled men the year round. His vessels are noted for their fine lines and thorough construction. The shipyards adjoin the steamer wharf, and attract many visitors.

The following cut of the first six-masted schooner ever designed, is made from the designer's draft. The keel will be 300 feet long, with 48 feet beam. The carrying capacity will be about 5,500 tons. Mr. Bean expects to launch this mammoth craft in the summer of 1900. Mr. J. J. Wardwell is the designer.



Six-Masted Schooner Built in Camden in 1900.

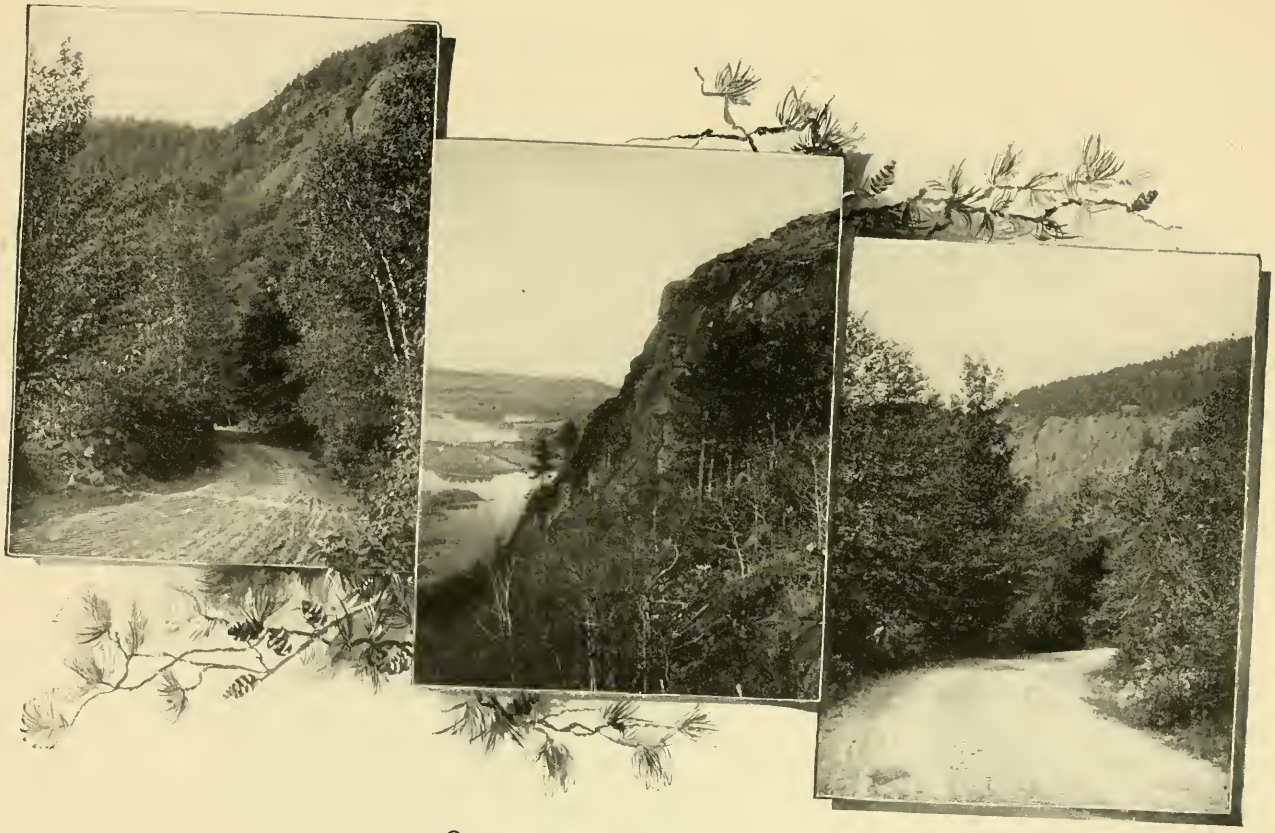
The Drives



The drives of Camden are a source of wonder to the visitor. The roads wind in and out among the mountains and along the shores of numerous lakes. The "Turnpike Road," shown in many of the illustrations, is the most noted drive in Camden, while the famous "Belfast Road" runs along the seaward slope of the mountains for eighteen miles, with the blue waters of the bay spread out beneath it.

The Turnpike Drive

This far-famed drive is from Camden Village along the inland side of the Megunticook range. It is the counterpart of the Belfast Road, only instead of the broad seaward slope, the mountain is here broken into abrupt precipices and cliffs, which in some cases rise perpendicularly for nearly one thousand feet.



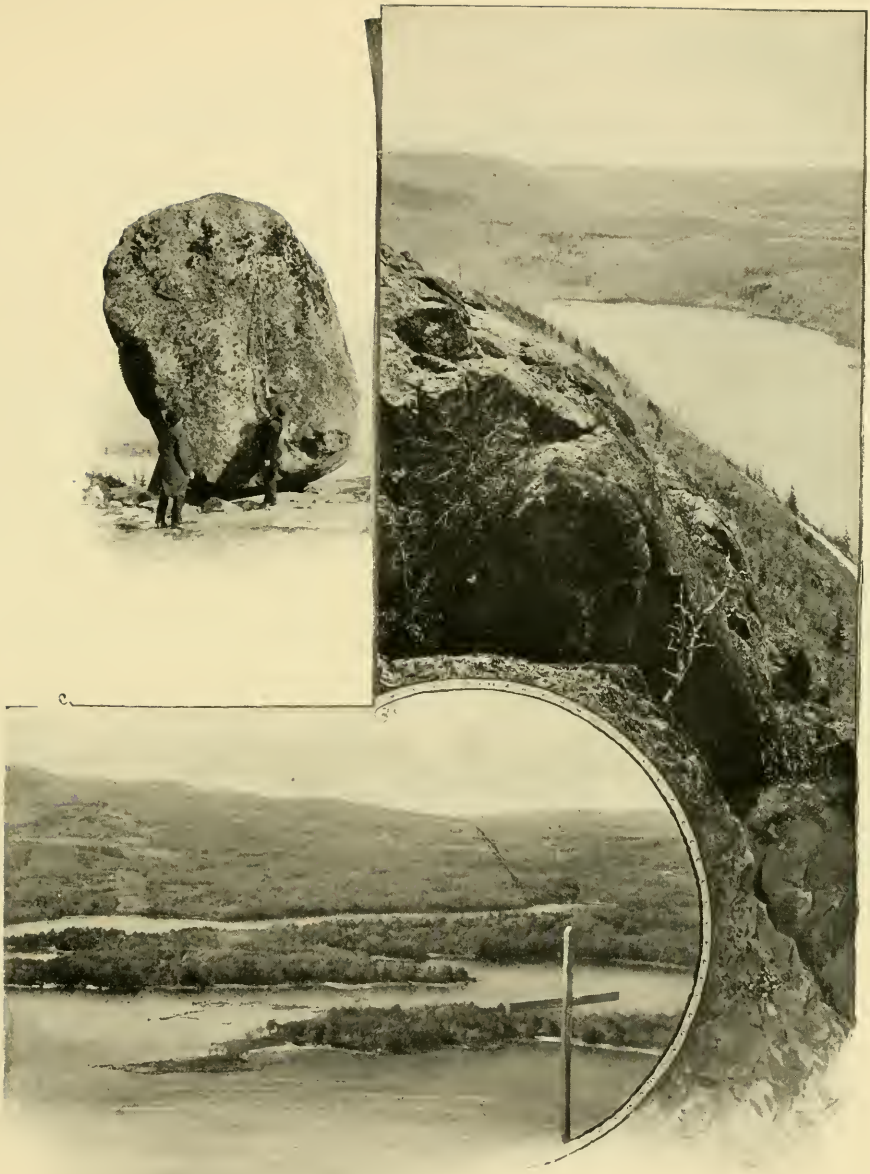
On the Famous Turnpike Drive.

The Turnpike Road runs along the base of these cliffs, between them and Lake Megunticook. This glorious drive follows the mountain range for five miles, and abounds in magnificent and startling views. It passes over high hills overlooking the Lake and entire valley, then drops into secluded dales and winds through forest avenues. Along the lake shore the road is mostly blasted out of the side of the mountain, which almost overhangs it, or rises threateningly above it. Leaving the lake it climbs the northern extremity of the mountain range, and from this point one of the finest views in Camden bursts upon us.

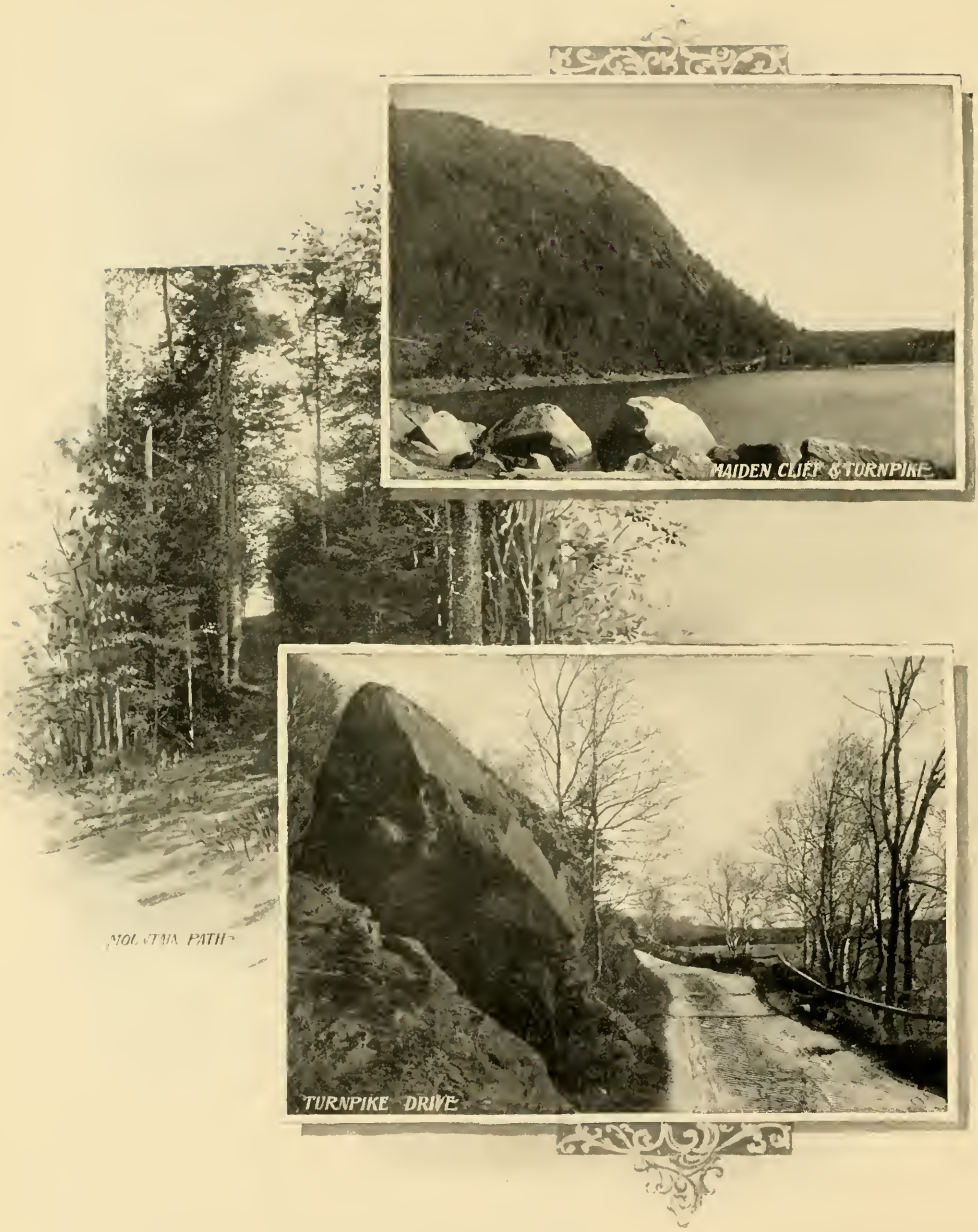
The Lake and Valley of Megunticook lie spread out like a map, all their wonderful beauty heightened by the elevation, and by the play of light and shade on the placid waters of the Lake.

The return trip can be made by continuing around the mountain to Lincolnville Beach, and coming back by way of the Belfast road to Camden, a total drive of eighteen miles.

The Camden drives are almost infinite in their variety. It is said that one can take a different drive every day during the season without exhausting the list. We give a partial list of them on another page.



Balance Rock, said to be the Largest Boulder in Maine.
Birdseye View of Turnpike Road.
Lake Megunticook, from Maiden Cliff.



On the Turnpike.

SMELT BROOK

On the Turnpike.

HOSMER'S POND.

MEGUNTICOOK LAKE.

MIRROR LAKE.

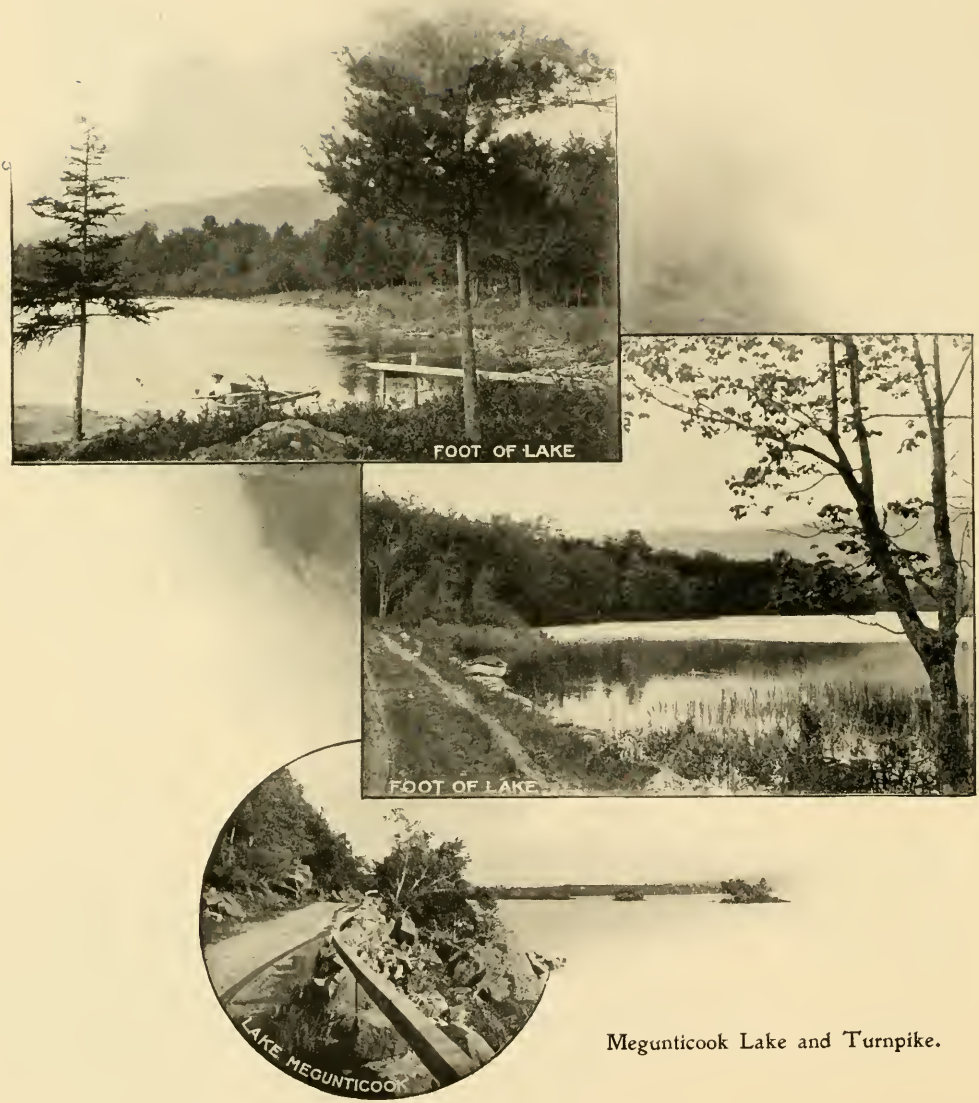
THE LAKE REGION

The Lakes

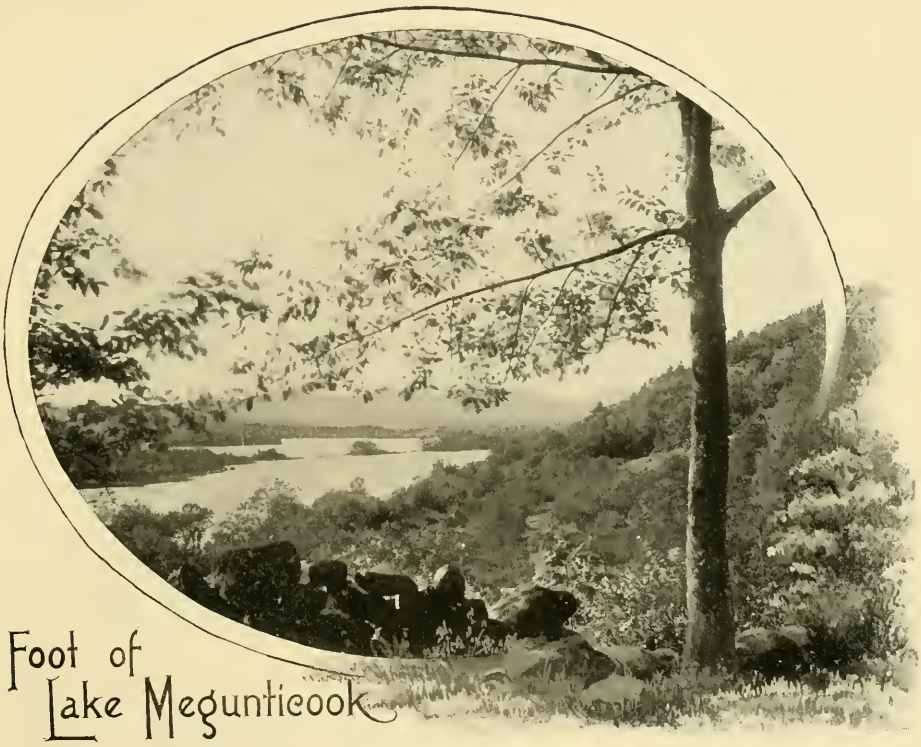
Attractive as Camden is on its seaward side, its inland scenery is fairer still. Here, the mountains break into cliffs, encircling beautiful lakes or fading away into peaceful and romantic valleys. A drive of two and one-half miles over the famous Turnpike road brings one to Lake City, at the foot of Lake Megunticook. Camden, like Westmoreland, has its "Lake District," and Lake Megunticook is its largest body of water. Artists and writers have pictured its manifold charms, but no one has written more enthusiastically of them than the late Rev. Dr. F. M. Ellis, of Baltimore, Md., who thus referred to two memorable weeks spent at Lake City:

"Lake Megunticook I unhesitatingly pronounce one of the loveliest lakes I have ever seen in this or any other land. I was impressed at Lake City with the marked resemblance of Megunticook Lake with that of fair Lucerne and its surroundings, less bold and sublime, but more peaceful and restful. Three weeks at Camden Harbor and two short weeks at Lake City (and these were the two shortest weeks that ever dropped out of my portion

ON LAKE MEGUNTICOOK



Megunticook Lake and Turnpike.



Foot of Lake Megunticook

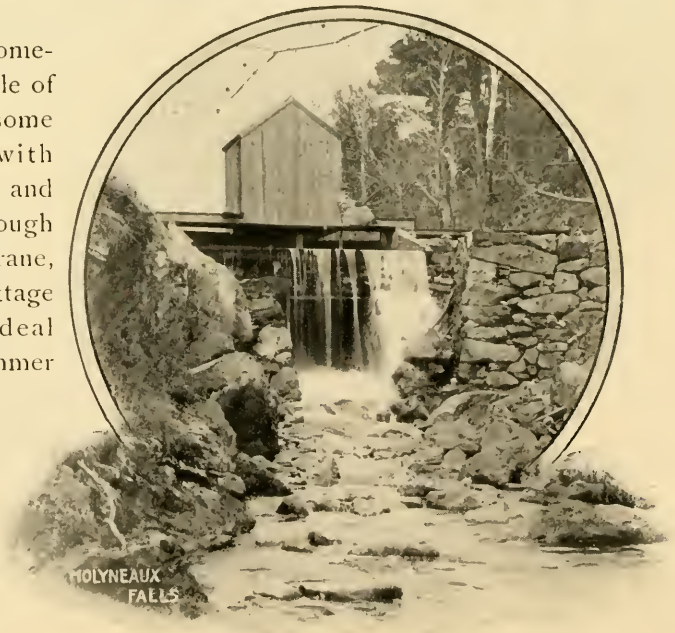
of time), five weeks in all, gives me the right to say that I know of no place where a person who wants rest and recreation can get so much, and so easily, as at Camden. If people knew what they could get at Camden, it would soon be one of the most popular summer resorts on the coast."

To see this attractive sheet of water in all its perfection, one should sail among its islands and follow the devious windings of its shores. A small steamer plies to and fro, obedient to the wishes of its passengers, and the sail can be prolonged for hours, every moment bringing its change of scene. The numerous islands and projecting points of land seem to bar all progress, but the little steamer is skillfully conducted through the watery maze, and the trip can be made again and again without losing any of its novelty.

The steamer starts from the foot of the lake, only two and one-half miles from Camden Village. The usual route takes in a circuit of five miles and passes the celebrated Balance Rock.

ON CRANE'S ISLAND

Crane's Island, sometimes called the Isle of Pines, contains some thirteen acres, with beautiful groves and winding paths through them. Mr. J. B. Crane, the owner, has a cottage here. It is an ideal location for a summer home.



Turnpike Cliffs, Lake City in the Foreground.

Lake City is a cottage settlement at the foot of Megunticook Lake. Those who like fresh water best will find this an ideal spot.

MEGUNTICOOK LAKE & MAIDEN CLIFF.

UNDER MAIDEN CLIFF

Panorama of Megunticook Lake, looking towards the Turnpike Cliffs and Lake City.

"Aldermere," Summer Residence of A. H. Chatfield, Cincinnati, Ohio.—From a Sketch.

Mirror Lake

Mirror Lake, of which a number of views are shown, has a very picturesque setting at the base of Hosmer's or Ragged Mountain.

Grassy Pond

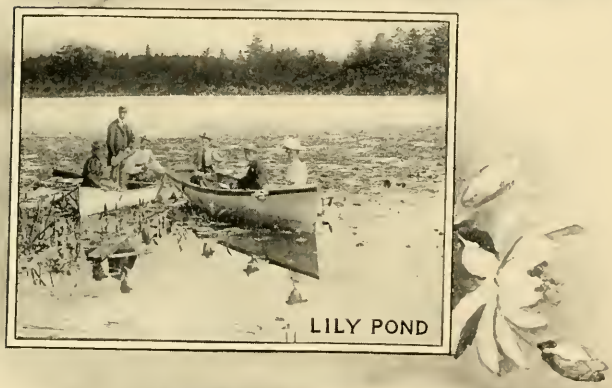
Grassy Pond is seven miles from Camden and about a mile beyond Mirror Lake on the road from West Rockport to South Hope. The finest drive in the town, for the distance covered, is to West Rockport and Mirror Lake, thence by Grassy Pond to South Hope, then over the northern side of Mount Pleasant and down the mountain side to West Rockport. The Mount Pleasant Road is the most elevated highway in Camden, and commands a wide view.

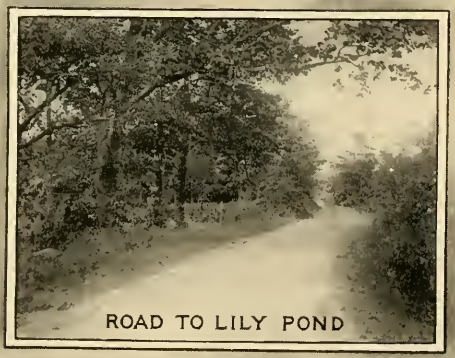
Lily Pond

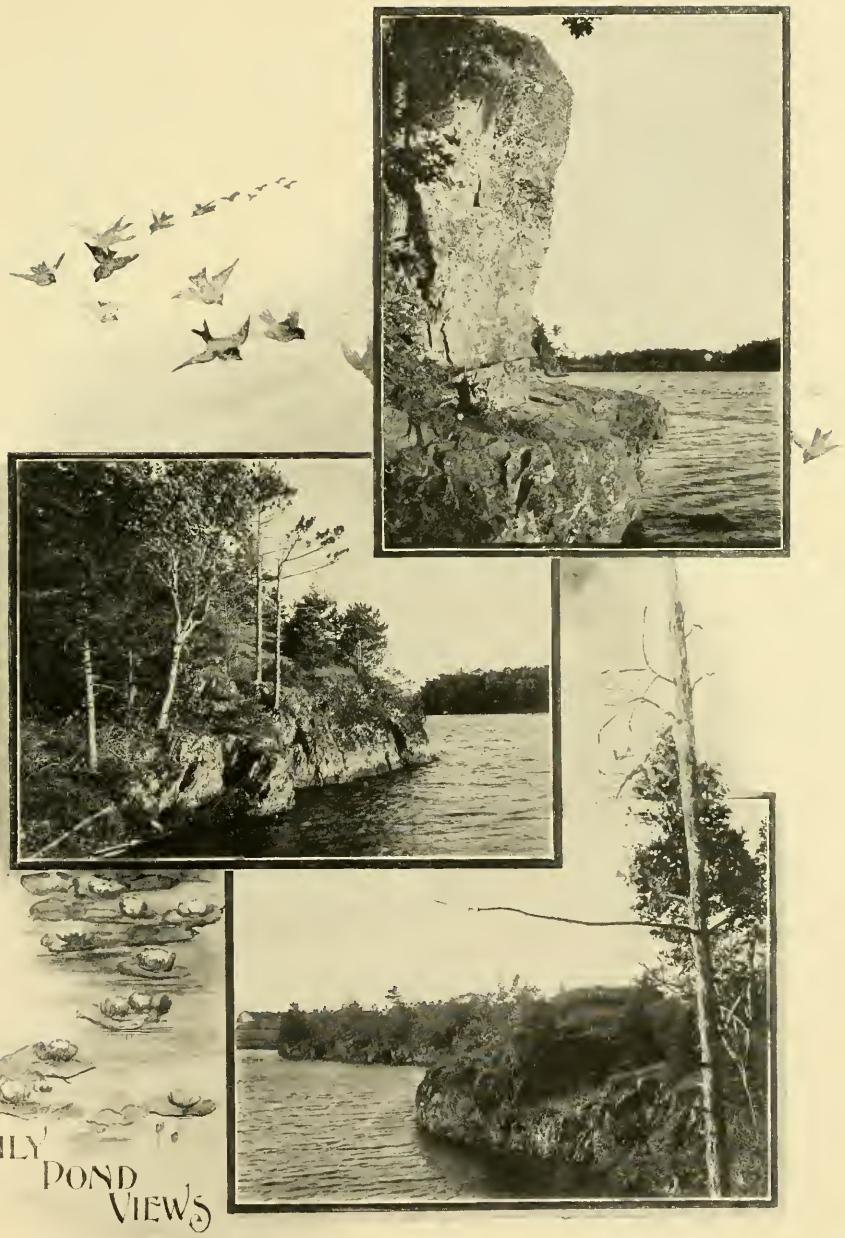
Lily Pond is only half a mile from Camden, on the Rockport Road. It is seen to the best advantage from the eastern shore, near the new cottages of Mr. A. H. Chatfield, where it forms the foreground of a picture whose horizon is broken by the striking outlines of Ragged Mountain. It covers sixty-five acres.

The Bay, from "Aldermere," residence of Mr. A. H. Chatfield, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Lily Pond Views






LILY POND VIEWS

Source of Camden's Water Supply.

Drinking Water

The water of Camden is wonderfully pure. Brought here from a natural reservoir fed by springs high up in the mountains, it enters the houses clear and sparkling, and is pronounced by prominent chemists to be the purest water in the State. Many come to Camden regularly on account of this water, which is endorsed by specialists and found to be an important remedial agent. The following analysis of the water supplied to Camden will be of interest:

BOWDOIN COLLEGE, BRUNSWICK, ME.

HON. A. F. CROCKETT, President Camden & Rockland Water Co.:

My analysis of your mountain spring water, taken from Mirror Lake, justifies me in certifying that it is a water of extraordinary purity. There are, in fact, absolutely no injurious ingredients in it; it is almost as pure as the purest spring water I ever analyzed, and I think it would be hard to match it anywhere.

FRANKLIN C. ROBINSON,
Professor of Chemistry and Assayer,
State of Maine.

Professor Robinson's latest analysis was made in August, 1899.

From Dr. Barnett, of Brooklyn, N. Y.:

"Of the *absolute purity* of the Mirror Lake water we are assured. Of its value as a pure water and a salient for gouty deposits, I can testify from personal experience. I have also seen its beneficial effects in various disorders of the digestion, as well as markedly good results in liver and kidney complications."

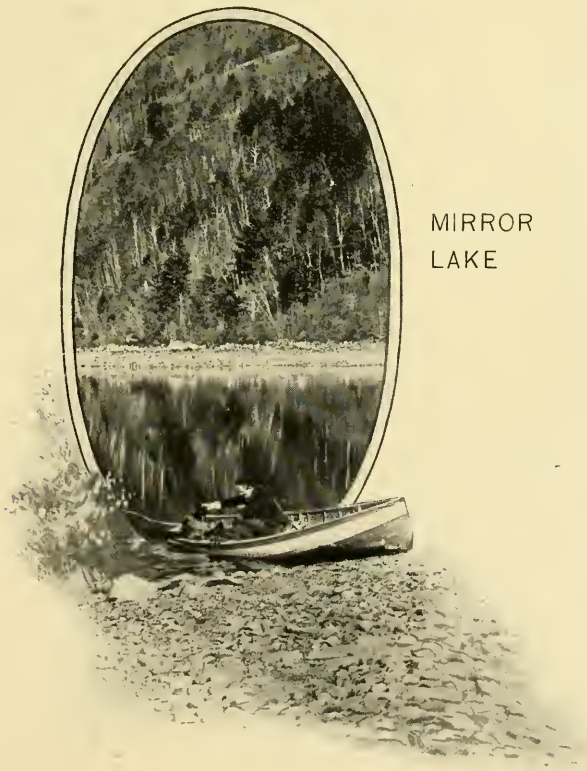
L. M. BARNETT, M. D.
708 Park Place, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Another analysis:

GENTLEMEN: From my test of the Mirror Lake water, would say that the water is of remarkable purity, superior to any water I have ever seen that came from your State. Yours truly,

H. L. BOWKER,
State Assayer for Massachusetts.

The Camden & Rockland Water Co. makes only a nominal charge to summer residents. Cottages, at a distance from the mains, connected at very reasonable rates. As the water has a gravity pressure of 350 feet, a sufficient force is available for all cottages.



MIRROR
LAKE

MIRROR LAKE

THE "FANGS" FROM MAIDEN'S CLIFF ON MT. MEGUNTICOOK

WINTER SCENE,
STONYHURST

COTTAGES,
HOSMER'S.

HOSMER'S POND

Hosmer's Pond

One of the most admired of Camden's lakes is Hosmer's Pond. It is reached by a charming drive of four miles from the village. It fills an oval basin almost surrounded by the mountains, and has an area of sixty-five acres. The cuts give only a hint of its great beauty.

The Mathews' Cottages.

At the head of Hosmer's Pond, in the midst of a picturesque valley, are the summer residences of the Mathews Bros., of 220 Massachusetts avenue, Boston.

They have purchased three finely located farms, covering over 250 acres, including half the shore around the pond and all of the meadows on both sides of the road. The land extends well up the sides of Ragged and Bald Mountains, and abounds in fine sites for summer cottages, with an extended outlook over the valley and lake. On the estate are three attractive cottages, occupied by the owners and their friends during the summer months. Our views of Hosmer's Pond show this fine location to good advantage.

The Mathews Cottages, Hosmer's Pond.

Drive to Hosmer's Pond.
Hosmer's Pond and Bald Mt.

View Inland from the Mountains.

The Mountains

Two of the Camden Mountains — Battie and Megunticook — have the advantage of being near the village, where they can be easily reached and ascended without fatigue. Mt. Battie is the easiest to climb and the oftenest ascended. It is on the edge of the village, with a good path starting from the head of Megunticook street and leading up the southern slope to the summit. The path is in the open, with scarcely any trees to interfere with the prospect. Another path starts from Belfast Road, opposite "Roseland" cottage, and leads up the northern slope. There is also an excellent carriage road up the western side of the mountain, the drive to the summit being only three miles from the village square. This road is available for all vehicles, and is a drive which every visitor to Camden should take. There are sheds on the summit for horses.

The Mountains

Mount Megunticook

This mountain is the loftiest in Camden. It is usually ascended by the path starting from Belfast Road, next to the Dr. Sherman house. The path follows an easy incline through the woods. The view is similar to that from Mt. Battie, but more extensive. To properly appreciate the grandeur of the mountain view one should traverse the crest of the range, giving an entire day to the trip. The road is left at Young's, at the head of the turnpike, and a path will be found leading to the summit of Maiden Cliff. The view from here is particularly fine, and is shown in several of our illustrations. The Cliff itself is a striking object. A cross marks the spot from which a young lady fell in 1864 — the only fatality connected with the mountains. Ever since this accident the rock has been called Maiden Cliff.

After leaving Maiden Cliff, the other peaks of the range can be climbed in succession until the top of Megunticook is reached. From this point the descent is made to the Belfast Road, and thence back to Camden village.

NATURE'S CONTRASTS

ROAD ON MOUNTAIN

FROM MT. BATTIE CLUB HOUSE

COTTAGES
LAKE CITY

Mt. Battie Association

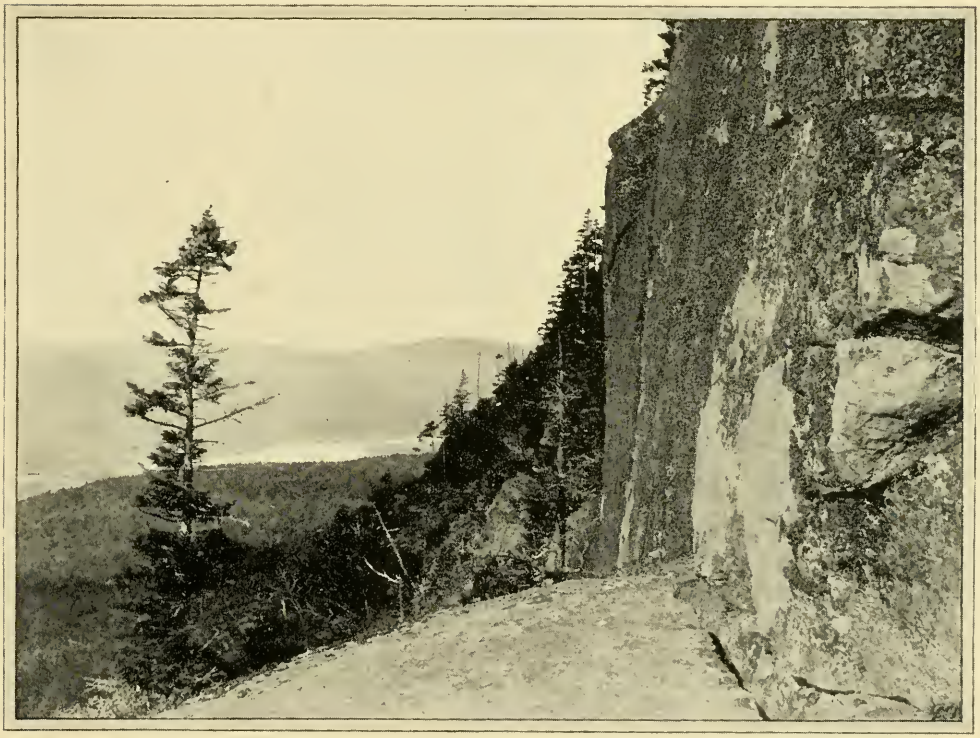
Mount Battie.

The Mt. Battie Association

This association was formed in 1899 for the purpose of acquiring Mt. Battie, the central feature of Camden's scenery, saving it from further desecration, and preserving it in its natural beauty for the enjoyment of all. The association is composed of public-spirited summer residents and other citizens, who propose to create a beautiful mountain park, freely accessible to all orderly persons. The property comprises sixty acres — practically the whole mountain top — including the carriage road and all the buildings on the mountain. These buildings are to be remodelled into a club-house, and every facility afforded for enjoying the glorious view, a view which takes in the whole Penobscot archipelago with its hundreds of islands on one side, and Lake Megunticook, encircled by mountains, on the other, while in the middle distance is

> "A most living landscape, and the wave
> Of woods and cornfields, and the abodes of men
> Scatter'd at intervals, and wreathing smoke
> Arising from such rustic roofs."

The Mt. Battie Association is chartered under the laws of Maine, and has issued a series of shares at a par value of $100.00 each. Prominent summer residents have subscribed liberally to the shares and made it possible to buy and pay for this valuable mountain property. The Association has no debt. Further subscriptions from newcomers will permit further improvements.



View from Mount Megunticook. Looking Inland.

The officers for 1899 are: President, A. M. Judson, of Jewett Bros., 26 Broad street, New York; vice-president, W. W. Justice, Germantown, Pa.; treasurer, H. L. Shepherd, of the S. E. & H. L. Shepherd Co., Rockport, Me., and J. R. Prescott of Providence, R. I., secretary. These together with William A. French, President Massachusetts National Bank, Boston, and J. C. Strawbridge, of Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia, constitute the Board of Directors.

DRIVE
UP MT. BATTIE

Bald Mountain

This mountain is one of the landmarks of the town, and its ascent is strongly recommended. There is no regular path, but the start can be made from the meadows near Hosmer's Pond, or from the Feyler place, on the road to Molyneaux's Mills. In both cases the path leads first to a foot-hill called "The Pinnacle," where a fine view is obtained and one can get the bearings for the rest of the ascent, which is directly over the rounded face of the mountain. There is a fine view of the lake region from Bald Mountain.

Hosmer's Mountain

Hosmer's, or Ragged Mountain, is the second highest mountain in Camden, and the view from it is so extensive that it was used by the Coast Survey as their principal base for observation in eastern Maine. It is best climbed by following up the road that winds around the left of Hosmer's Pond, and striking the old coast survey road farther up. From the summit one looks down into Hosmer's Pond on one side and Mirror Lake on the other. The distant view sweeps clear across the State of Maine, with Mount Washington on one horizon and the mountains of New Brunswick on the other.

Besides the principal mountain peaks there are many lofty hills —in fact, every Camden hill commands an extensive prospect, and the demand for fine views, which has determined the selection of nearly all the building sites during the past few years, will shortly exhaust the supply of these picturesque hill farms.

Melvin Heights.

Melvin Heights, only two miles from Camden, is right in the heart of the mountain and lake region, with magnificent views on every side. This elevated spot is the favored location of four of Camden's most attractive cottages, whose owners have acquired large tracts of land in this vicinity, the natural beauties of which they have carefully preserved.

Crabtree Farm, the largest estate on the Heights, is the summer home of Mr. J. C. Strawbridge, of Strawbridge & Clothier, Philadelphia. We show views of several scenes on the estate, together with the much admired view from the drawing-room window. Seaward there is an equally fine prospect.

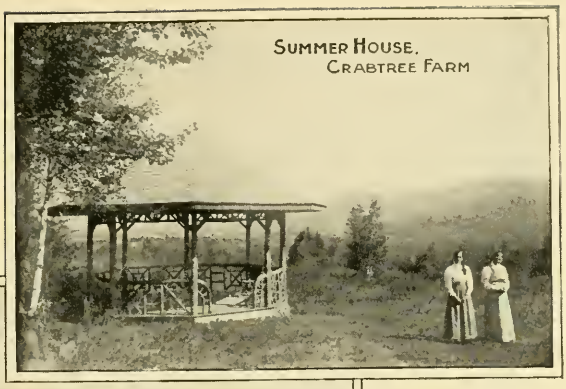
Summer Residence of Mr. William A. French.

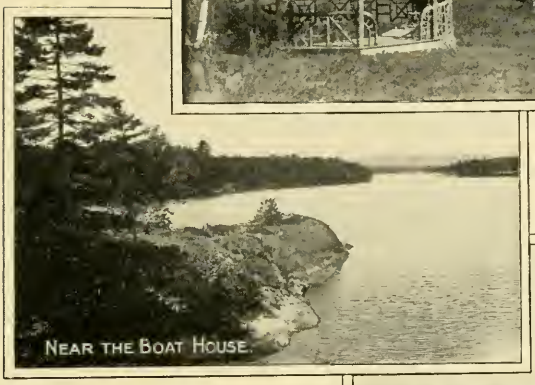
Hillcrest Farm, adjoining Mr. Strawbridge's, is the property of Mr. William A. French, president of the Massachusetts National Bank, Boston. Mr. French was the first to build on the Heights, and has always been a firm believer in Camden's future.

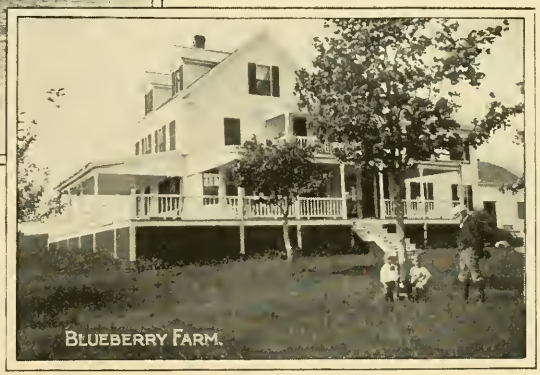
Blueberry Farm, on the other side of the road is the summer residence of Mr. W. W. Justice of Germantown, Pa. Nearby is

Summerfold, built by Mrs. Marian Wright Walsh, of Boston. It is a very attractive cottage, and when not occupied by the owner has been rented to approved parties. A cut of Summerfold is shown on page 22.

View from the Drawing-Room, Crabtree Farm.



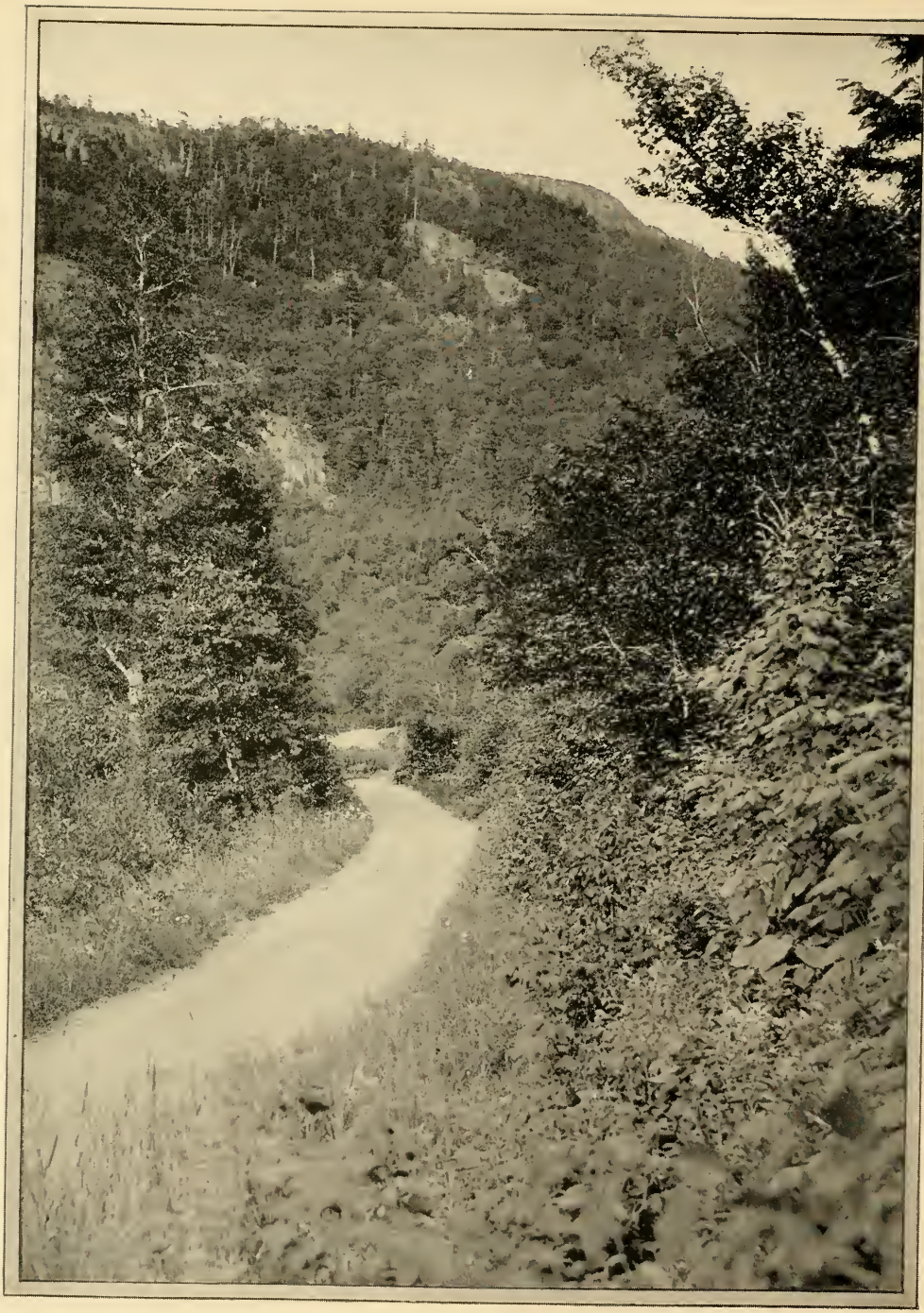




Melvin Heights
and
Lake Megunticook Views.

Crabtree Farm, J. C. Strawbridge

Blueberry Farm, W. W. Justice



Turnpike Drive.

Turnpike Drive.

Birches
c. Turnpike

Oak ttope Road

Willows
Simonton's Corner

Pointed Firs Ogiers Hill

Some Camden Trees

Lovers of Nature

will find much to admire in Camden besides its mountains and seashore. The botanist will find a rich profusion of wild flowers, ferns and other flora. Our illustrations show the wonderful beauty of the Camden trees and shrubbery. Camden is noted for the great variety of berries found there. Wild strawberries, raspberries, blackberries, huckleberries and blueberries grow in abundance.

A Professional Man's Estimate of Camden

We supplement the appreciative letters of Lyman Abbott and Professor Genung, by one from Dr. F. Forchheimer, a well-known specialist of Cincinnati, who with his family spent the summer of 1899 at the "Anchorage" cottage. His estimate of Camden may interest those who are looking for a summer home.

CINCINNATI, OHIO, Dec. 26, 1899.

It is with great pleasure that I write concerning our sojourn at Camden last summer. We have wandered much during our summer vacations, but never have we found a place which has benefited us so much as Camden. The fine air, the beautiful scenery, the wonderful combinations of mountains with ocean, and, above all, the excellent sanitary conditions, make it a place that must be lived in to be appreciated. To those of us who live inland, exemption from summer heat is sufficient inducement to make Camden an abiding place in summer. If added to all these excellences there is found every necessity to creature comfort, all is said that can be said in favor of a place.

Yours very truly,

F. FORCHHEIMER.

The Dillingham Cottages

This attractive group of cottages is located on Dillingham's Point, a private park of ten acres, with water on three sides.

Arequipa

Was the first summer cottage in Camden, and its owner, Mr. E. F. Dillingham of Bangor, Maine, has spent twenty consecutive seasons here. Arequipa is noted for its hospitality, and is one of the social centres during the season.

The Pointed Firs

Is the property of Mr. Dillingham and his sons, who have rented it the past three seasons to Mr. Thomas Doliber, President of the Mellin's Food Co.

The Birches

Is the property of Mr. E. L. Dillingham, 153 Fifth Avenue, New York, and has been occupied for several seasons by Mr. W. J. Curtis of Summit, N. J.

Both of these cottages are arranged very conveniently, with attractive rooms on the first floor and airy chambers above. "The Firs" has seven chambers and "The Birches," six. Both have wide piazzas, fire-places, etc., and are fully furnished. The windows have screens and shades. Running water, cellars, and a complete system of sewerage are among the important essentials provided, while a private wharf gives the cottagers all the boating and yachting privileges of the place.

Dillingham's Point, from Ocean House.

Dr. F. H. Dillingham, of New York, is also building a cottage here which will be rented for the season of 1900.

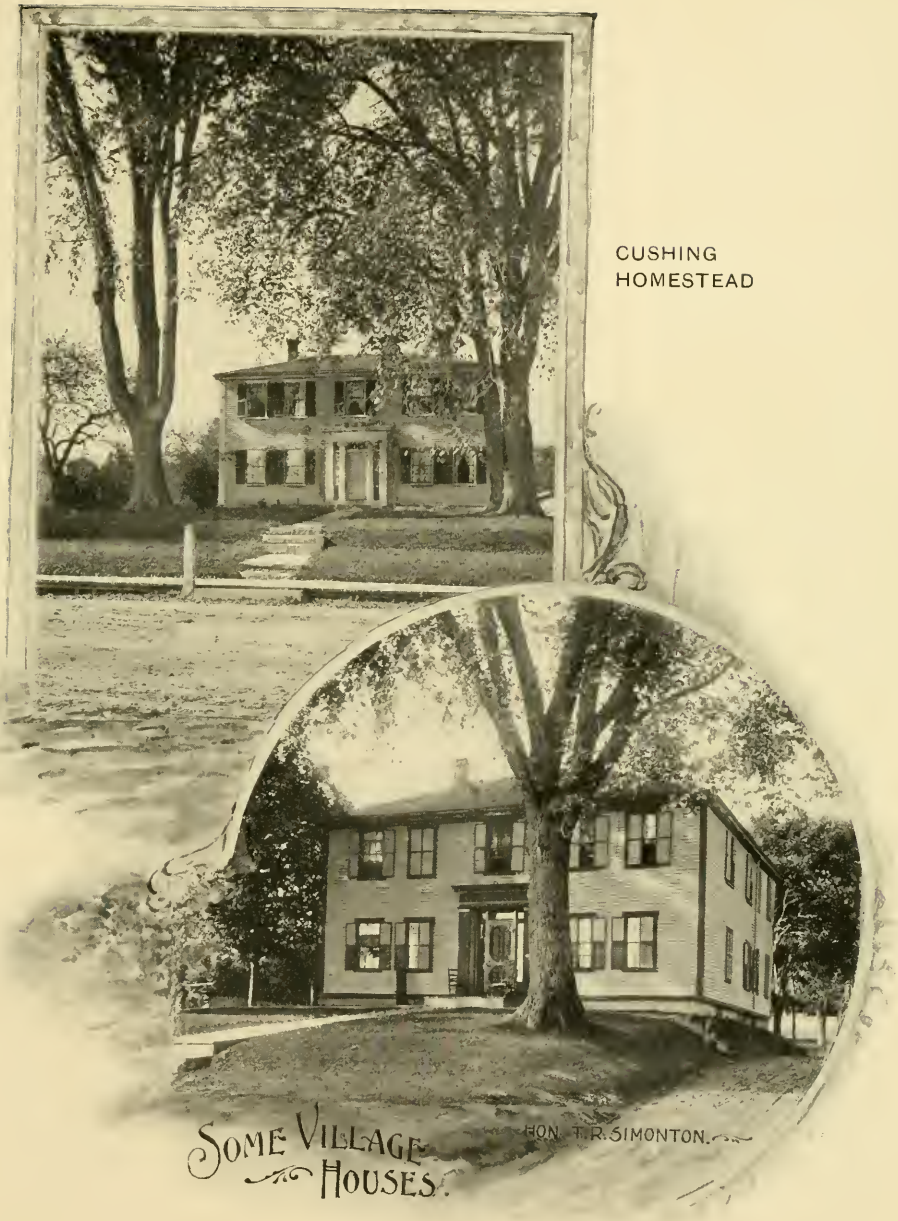
"The Pointed Firs."

The Birches.

Dillingham's Point and Cottages.

Shore Scenes at "Edgewater."

"Edgewater," Residence of W. H. Gardiner, Esq.



CUSHING
HOMESTEAD

Beauchamp Point

Visitors who approach Camden by water have long admired this beautiful point of land between Rockport and Camden Harbors. Mr. Charles W. Henry, of Philadelphia, who first saw it in this way, was so attracted by the beauties of the place that he bought the Point and an adjoining farm with the idea of developing it. The name is derived from John Beauchamp, of London, who with Thomas Leverett, of Boston, received in 1629 a grant of thirty square miles of land in this section. Leverett's name at the same time was given to the point now called Warrenton.

Mr. Henry's property comprises 200 acres, with two and one-half miles of shore front. Our illustrations give an excellent idea of its diversity. It is admirably adapted for cottage sites, all of them accessible by a system of picturesque driveways. A number of fine lots have already been selected by prominent gentlemen, who will have cottages erected in the future.

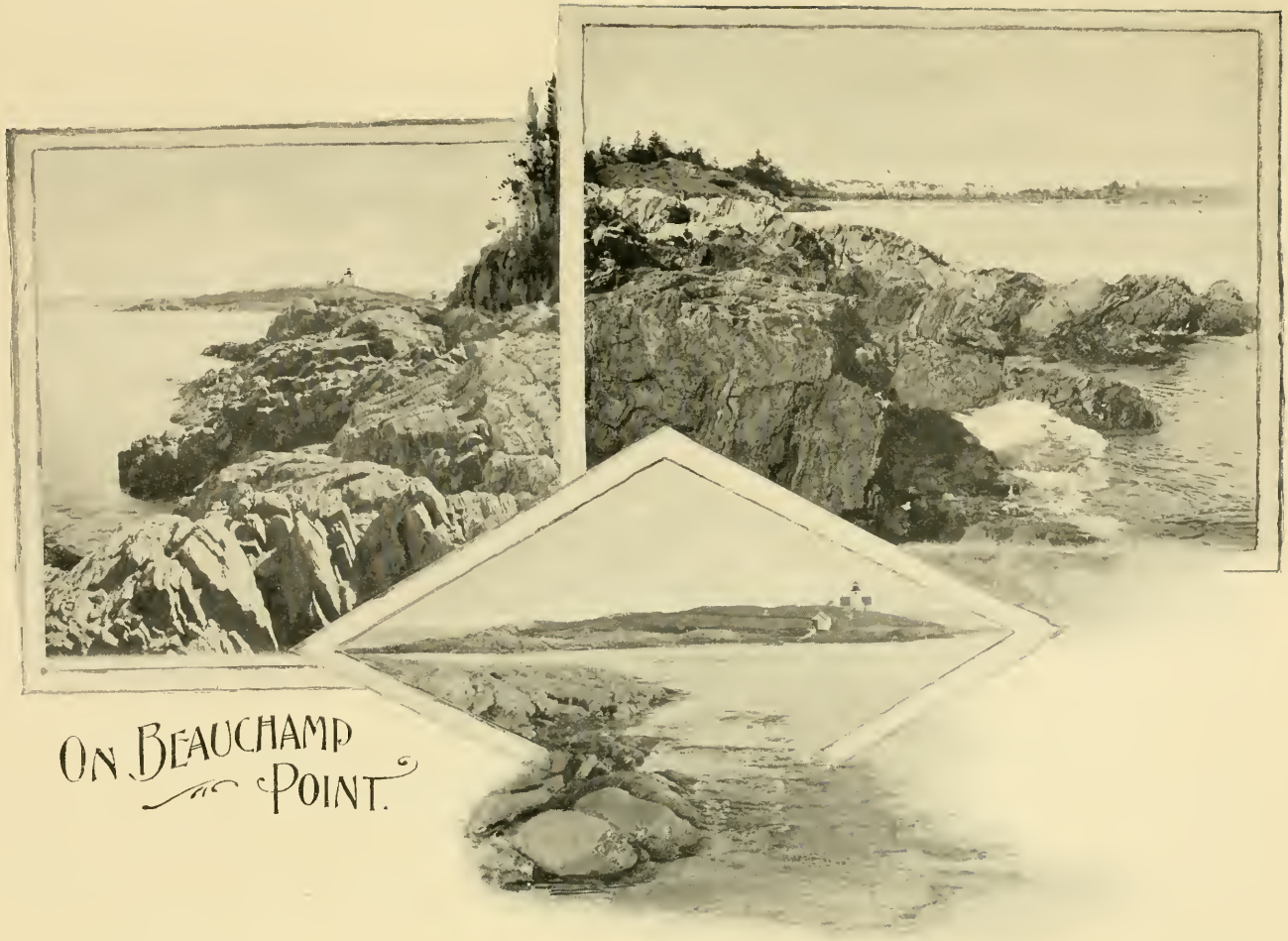
The Camden approach to Beauchamp will be from Chestnut Street, opposite Lily Pond, one mile from the village. It is Mr. Henry's intention to retain the extreme point in its present condition, not selling or building thereon, it being very attractive with its shade trees, bold rocks, sandy beaches and a natural swimming-pool, which can be kept full by a sea wall. This property is one of the most beautiful on the entire coast, fully equal to Mt. Desert or North East Harbor, and much more accessible to visitors, both by land and water, while Rockport Harbor, affording safe anchorage for vessels of any size, makes it very desirable for yachtsmen and lovers of boating.

Certain restrictions will be placed on the lots so as to ensure the most desirable class of cottagers. Lots will not be sold less than two or more than five acres. There will be water, sewerage, electric lights, telephone, and fine golf links can be made when desired. On the western side of the estate is a beautiful hill rising 200 feet above the sea level, and affording a wonderful view of the sea and mountains.

Full information regarding this property can be had from Mr. Charles W. Henry, 2931 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, Pa., or Mr. W. E. Schwartz, resident manager, Camden, Maine.

Rocks — Beauchamp Point.

On the Shore at Beauchamp.



ON BEAUCHAMP POINT.

Beauchamp Point Views.

ROCKS BEAUCHAMP POINT

Climate, and Other Advantages

The Climate of Camden is what might be expected from its ocean and mountain environment. The dry, antiseptic air of the mountains, and the stimulating tonic of the sea breeze are both here in perfection, and their mingled freshness gives a wonderful geniality to the climate. The invigorating atmosphere quickens the circulation, stimulates the appetite and gives sound and refreshing sleep. Mountain climbing, golf and boating for the hardy, and driving for the more delicate, become a pleasure in this exhilarating atmosphere, and bring the glow of health to the feeblest frame. The ocean breeze has its roughness taken off by the outlying islands, and is never too strong for outdoor comfort. The uniformly cool nights and the unusual freedom from mosquitoes and other insect pests, is in striking contrast to other localities.

From Belfast Road.

Sanitation. Camden being a hill town there is natural drainage, but within the village limits this has been supplemented by a new sewerage system, adding to the salubrity of the place and making it one of the most healthful of summer resorts. There are no polluted streams or water courses in the town.

Bathing. Contrary to the general impression, the bathing in Camden is delightful. The purity of the water and its temperature, which is just right for the best tonic effect, combine to make bathing here more popular every season. The illustrations on page 72 show the bathing beach near Edgewater. There are also bath-houses at the foot of Ocean avenue.

Sea Fishing. During the season there is generally good mackerel fishing near Sherman's Point. Farther out there is good deep sea fishing, which the Camden skippers can always find. The shores abound in clams, and large numbers of lobsters are taken about the harbor and along the coast. Occupants of cottages near the water have no difficulty in supplying the table with lobsters taken within 100 feet of the shore.

Fresh Water Fishing. Megunticook Lake has been stocked with black bass and square tail trout. Nearly all the lakes abound in landlocked salmon and the usual fresh water fish, and lovers of the rod and line will find good sport in Camden waters.

Hunting. Under the protective game laws of the State there has been a marked increase in game within the limits of the Camden Mountains. Deer are seen frequently, and partridges and woodcock are common enough for good sport. Foxes, raccoons, rabbits and ducks are always to be found by skillful hunters. Mr. G. D. Spaulding, of Centre Linconville, is a licensed guide, with bird, fox and rabbit hounds. Mr. Spaulding knows intimately all the hunting grounds in Knox and Waldo counties, and is one of the most obliging and straightforward men in his profession. Mr. John Wadsworth is the official game warden.

Some Camden Churches.

Churches Camden has four prosperous churches — Congregational, Baptist, Episcopal and Methodist, with able clergy. During the summer season the pulpits of the various churches are occupied by prominent visiting divines. Lyman Abbott, Professor Genung of Amherst, and President Butler of Colby College, are among those who have favored Camden in this way.

Public Library Camden has a fine public library, available for summer visitors. It appeals to their liberality, to which it already owes much.

Society The summer residents of Camden are drawn from the social centres of the country, and naturally bring with them the social charm of their respective localities. There is, however, no social tyranny in Camden, no burdensome social claims. One can have society or retirement, as one is inclined.

The Town Camden has about 3000 inhabitants, and is one of the brightest towns in the State. Its selectmen and officials have managed its affairs so wisely that there is little debt, yet the roads and other public charges are kept in excellent condition. It is intended that taxation be equitable, and that every encouragement be afforded those contemplating summer homes here.

Newspapers The Camden Herald is published weekly, and is a strong champion of Camden's local industries and its possibilities as a summer resort.

Clubs, etc. Camden has a business men's club, and a village improvement association has been projected, while in the matter of social and literary clubs, Masonic and other fraternal societies, it is fully up to the times. It has a fine opera house, a cut of which is shown below.

Banks Summer residents will find the Camden National Bank and the Camden Savings Bank convenient places for opening accounts. The latter is located in Rockport, and makes a specialty of receiving deposits subject to check.

What to do in Camden

(See Page 101 for Distances to Places of Interest.)

The summer resident needs no hints, but the visitor of a few days only will appreciate a few suggestions for employing his time to the best advantage. It is doubtful if there can be found in New England, in so small a space, more attractions of mountain views, lakes and ocean, than in Camden. The following itineraries may be helpful to the tourist :

For One Day in Camden Arriving early in the morning, breakfast can be had at one of the hotels. A drive can then be taken along Belfast Road and around Mt. Megunticook, via the Turnpike Road. If there is time before dinner, and the condition of the horses will permit, the drive should be extended to the summit of Mt. Battie, returning to the village for dinner. After dinner, drive to Hosmer's Pond, via Washington street, returning via Mechanic and Elm streets to Rockport. From Rockport the return to Camden can be made by way of Ogier's Hill. At Camden the electric cars can be taken for Rockland in time to catch the boat for Boston, or the night train. This makes a busy day, but covers the finest of Camden's scenery.

For Two Days in Camden In addition to the route given for one day the visitor should give a forenoon to the harbor, taking a row-boat or sail-boat for Negro Island and Sherman's Point. After dinner, drive to Melvin Heights, passing the Strawbridge, French and Justice cottages, and getting the glorious view from this spot.

For Three Days in Camden Many flying trips to Camden are planned to include Sunday. Leaving Boston by boat or train, Friday night, one can return Monday night, giving an outing of four nights and three days. The trips given above can be varied by omitting the drive up the mountain and going up later, on foot, over the brow of Mt. Battie and coming down through the pastures to Belfast Road. One can also find time to visit Ogier's Point, the lime quarries, the shipyard and Thorndike Park. If one's tastes are for mountain climbing or boating, they can use more time for these. The yachting trips are described on another page. If one has a wheel it can be used on nearly all the roads mentioned. If the traveller is in bicycle costume the S. S. Co. takes his wheel free, otherwise the charge is seventy-five cents.

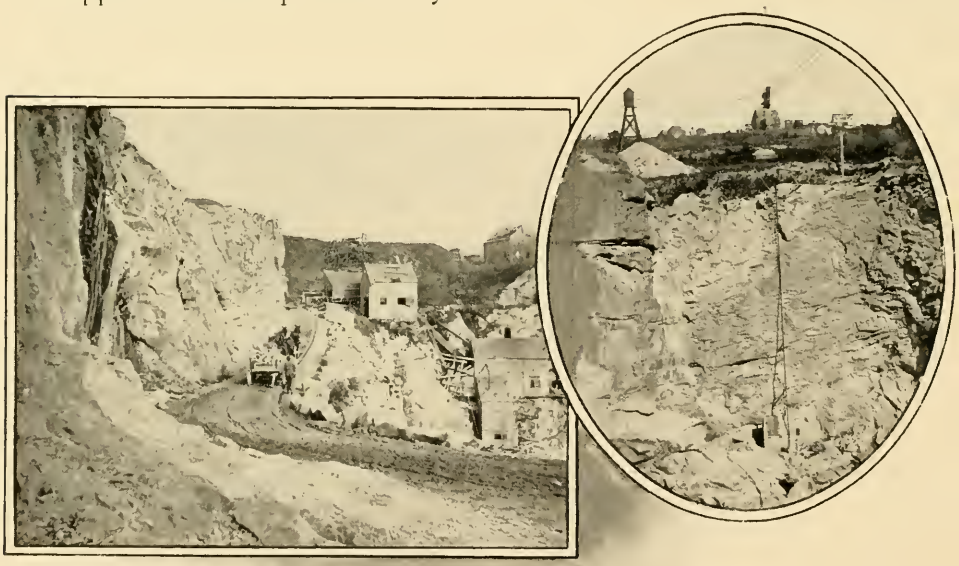
For a longer visit to Camden, one can learn of the interesting places from the illustrations in this book and from other publications.

Fares to Camden from Boston by steamer are $2.60 ; round trip, $4.70.
" " Rockland " " " train, 3.50 ; electrics to Camden, 15c.
" " Rockland " Portland" steamer, 1.25 ; " " " 15c.

The Quarries

A rich vein of limestone runs through Camden and the adjacent towns, yielding lime of the finest quality known in the United States. The far-famed Jacobs quarries are only one-half mile from Camden Village. They were opened about 1817 and have been continuously worked ever since. Their supply of limestone seems unlimited and the quality unvarying. The quarries are very deep and picturesque, and visitors will find them extremely interesting, especially the cable tramway and the air and steam drills.

The quarry showing cableway is the property of the S. E. & H. L. Shepherd Co., of Rockport, Maine, where the kilns and the extensive docks for shipping the lime are located. The Carleton quarries are also in the same vicinity, with kilns at Rockport. The output of all the Rockport kilns is about 500,000 barrels of lime per annum. The Carleton & Norwood Co. have kilns at Camden, which are shown in the illustration on page 5. Fifty thousand tons of ice are also shipped from Rockport annually.



The Famous Jacobs Lime Quarries.

Power House of the Rockland, Thomaston & Camden Street Railway.

Trolley Rides

The Rockland, Thomaston & Camden Street Railway offers many attractive trips. For a short trip the ride to Rockport, by Lily Pond and the Lime Quarries, is very interesting. Visitors are welcomed at the quarries, and the processes explained. For a longer ride the trip to Rockland is a fine one, with extensive views of the bay and islands. Still another trip is to Thomaston, with its wide streets and Colonial houses. This place was the home of General Knox, of Revolutionary fame. The Maine State Prison is here and can be seen by visitors. An attractive side trip from Rockland can be made to the "Highlands," with its remarkable quarries, some of them 300 feet deep. The Electric Company has an elegant special car, which can be chartered for the day or evening at reasonable rates, for private parties. The Knox Gas & Electric Lighting Co. furnishes arc and incandescent lights and makes a specialty of lighting summer cottages. Their reasonable rates have secured them a large business.

Sagamore Farm

This interesting farm was established by the late Hon. J. B. Stearns, as an object lesson in dairy farming, and has since been continued by his son, Edward S. Stearns, on a basis even more advanced than that contemplated by its founder.

The equipment includes:

First: A group of ideal farm buildings.

Second: A herd of nearly fifty cattle, mostly Jerseys, several being from the celebrated "Hood Farm," Lowell, Mass., headed by the prize bull "Sagamore of Hood Farm."

Third: The most improved and advanced appliances for handling the milk, such as the "De Laval Separator" and the "Champion Milk Cooler, Aerator and Deodorizer," through which all the milk is run before placing in the sealed glass bottles in which it is delivered. Sagamore Farm is situated on Belfast Road, about two miles from Camden, and the drive to it is much frequented. Visitors are cordially invited to inspect the establishment and observe the process of handling the milk, and the absolute cleanliness insisted on. The most picturesque scene is at 4.30, when the herd comes in from the pasture, for milking, and many visitors choose that time for seeing the farm. The milking hour is 5.30.

Sagamore Farm—Continued.

The milk is used by all the leading cottagers, who can also obtain Sagamore Farm butter, eggs, skim milk and buttermilk of the driver, or can order same by letter or telephone. The farm does a large business in hard wood, seasoned under cover, for stove or fireplace.

Sagamore Farm has a large frontage on the bay, with some sixty acres of shore lots, which Mr. Stearns has recently placed on the market.

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SAGAMORE FARM

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Cottages To Let

Boulder Cottage. On Ogier's Hill, with fine view. Nine rooms, three fireplaces, hot and cold water, set tubs, bath room, furnace. House is entirely new, and near some of Camden's finest cottages. For sale low, or rented to desirable party. Apply to Reuel Robinson, Esq., Camden. See cut of cottage on page 24.

The Sherman Cottage has five large rooms on first floor, and lavatory. Six sleeping rooms, bath room, room in tower and large attic. Fireplaces, set tubs, hot and cold water, storeroom. Fully furnished, including piano. Stable. Fine view. For terms apply to Mrs. Kate C. Sherman, Camden. The view of Mt. Battie, on page 60, is from the grounds of the Sherman Cottage.

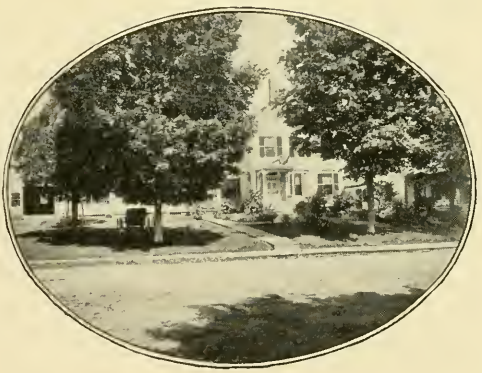
The Miller Cottage.

Near the water. Four large rooms on first floor. Four chambers, bath and large attic. Four beds and bedding. House carpeted and fully furnished. Fireplace, hot and cold water. Stable and garden. Very desirable place. Address Judge C. K. Miller, Camden.

Bay View House.

Ames & Wright, proprietors. Location on two of the principal streets, surrounded by lofty elms. Fine view of harbor and mountains. Large annex with thirty rooms. This fine hotel is open the year round, and accommodates over one hundred guests.

The Talbot Cottage. Two-story, with L, and large stable. On first floor there is parlor, sitting-room, dining-room, bed-room, bath-room, kitchen and porch. Second floor, four chambers and bath-room. Fully furnished. Fire-place and furnace. Set tubs. Fine view and grounds. Apply to owner, George H. Talbot, Real Estate Agent, Camden.



"Summerfold" consists of the attractive cottage shown on page 22, and ten acres of land on Melvin Heights. Fine large rooms with fireplaces, seven chambers, bath, and all modern improvements. Tastefully furnished. Stables. For terms of rental, address Mrs. Marian Wright Walsh, 904 Tremont Building, Boston, Mass.

Mountain View House.

F. O. Martin, proprietor. Open from June 25 to Sept. 25. High elevation, giving fine views of mountains and bay. Perfect drainage. Central location, convenient to village, yet near the shore, with full opportunity for rest and quiet. Moderate terms.

Ocean House.

A finely located summer hotel, noted for the beauty of its grounds and view. Near the water. Fine boating. For circulars, terms, etc., address Ocean House, Camden, Maine.

Hosmer House.

E. E. Hosmer, proprietor. Choice location on Belfast Road. A select family house, noted for the excellence of its cuisine and for the beauty of its surroundings. Few minutes walk to the shore, and near the mountains. Refers to *all* its former patrons.

The Wilbur Cottage.

Near the water, with fine view of mountains. Eleven rooms, fully furnished. Piano. Hot and cold water. Bath room. Sewerage. Six sleeping rooms. The cut was taken in the winter and does not show the attractive summer aspect. For terms, etc., address F. H. Wilbur.

Fairlawn is on the lot adjoining Thorndike Park, as shown in the cut below. It covers two acres, with a shore front of 420 feet, and a wide lawn in front. There are six sleeping rooms, with two more in an adjoining building. Fine bath room, with porcelain tub and the famous "Sanitas" fixtures. Running water and sewerage. Fairlawn is fully furnished and ready for immediate occupancy. Apply to J. R. Prescott, Box 229, Providence, R. I.

Thorndike Park from Sherman's Point.

"Fairlawn" is seen on the right and "Idle Hours" on the left, while the "Anchorage" is between them.

"Idle Hours" Cottage — Thorndike Park, foot of Ocean Avenue.
For rental, see page 91.

Cottages to Rent in Thorndike Park

Foot of Ocean Avenue, Camden, Me.

"The Anchorage" is located in Thorndike Park, on the bank overlooking the sea, yet near enough to hear the lapping of the waves on the stones below. Eight sleeping rooms and bath. Parlor, 32 x 15. Dining room. Open fireplace. Sanitary plumbing and sewerage. Hot and cold water. Set tubs. Servants' toilet room. Fully furnished. See cut on page 23.

"Idle Hours" cottage, shown on page 92, is practically the same in size, plan and conveniences as "The Anchorage." A special circular can be had, showing all the arrangements of "Idle Hours," with details as to furnishings, etc. Both cottages have the free use of the whole of Thorndike Park, with its five and one-half acres of shade trees and 400 feet of shore front. This gives quiet and retirement, yet is convenient to the village and other cottages. See letter of Professor Genung, on page 12, who occupied "Idle Hours" for two seasons, and of Dr. Forchheimer, on page 69, who last occupied "The Anchorage."

"The Anchorage" was built in 1899, "Idle Hours" in 1896, and "Fairlawn" (see page 91) was remodelled in 1899. All of them have the "Sanitas" open plumbing, with porcelain bath tubs and marble lavatories. These three cottages occupy the most charming location imaginable. The cut on page 91 shows their sea front of over 800 feet, while back of them is a grove of fine old forest trees which have been cleared away in front to give an unobstructed view of the sea. Ocean Avenue connects these properties with Belfast Road, only 300 yards away, giving ideal conditions of accessibility and privacy. For terms and further particulars address J. R. Prescott, Camden, Me., or Box 229, Providence, R. I.

Information for Summer Residents

For the convenience of summer visitors who may wish to order supplies in advance, we give the following list of reliable business houses in Camden. Cottagers can correspond with any of them, and be assured of their entire responsibility. Orders can be placed in advance, for supplies or service, with confidence as to quality and price. Nearly everything required by summer visitors can be had of dealers right in Camden. Most of the following houses have telephones and delivery teams.

Fine Groceries. Carleton, Pascal & Co. have a large establishment, making a specialty of fancy groceries, fruit, confectionery and cigars. In addition to these, they carry crockery and kitchen furnishings, making a specialty of such articles as summer residents require. Mr. Pascal, the managing partner, gives his personal attention to the details of the business, and his affability and enterprise have made the concern very popular.

Meats and Game. Wiley Bros. make a specialty of the summer business, carrying a line of meats, poultry, game and vegetables. They have Boston connections, ensuring the best the markets afford, and individual preferences are carefully considered in filling their orders.

Fish. Camden, being a sea town, is close to the natural supply of sea food. Samuel Ayers has a model fish market, fittingly located on one of the wharves. Salmon, lobsters, clams, and all the native fish in their season can always be found here. Yachts and private parties supplied with ice. Row-boats and sail boats to let.

Furniture. Curtis & Spear, in the Opera House block, have everything in furniture and furniture for everybody, making a specialty of cottage outfits. Particular attention is given to the summer trade, and they invite correspondence with those intending to furnish or re-furnish their cottages.

Druggists. Chandler's Pharmacy is a very attractive store, equal in extent and appointments to what one would find in the larger cities. Handling nothing but the best in drugs, confectionery, cigars, etc., their trade is very large. They make a specialty of such prescription work as the healthfulness of Camden will permit.

Dry Goods. Camden has always been noted for its well-stocked dry goods stores, and a very popular establishment is Achorn's. Parties coming from a distance can find here a full assortment of cottage supplies, such as bedding, towels, table linen, curtains, rugs, etc., as well as everything in the dry goods line. Geo. W. Achorn, proprietor.

Real Estate and Insurance. George H. Talbot can be seen or addressed regarding summer cottages to rent or purchase. He has offices in both Camden and Rockport, and looks after insurance and loans. His own house, shown in one of our illustrations on page 89, can be rented by approved parties.

Driving. The oldest stable in Camden is kept by F. J. Higgins & Son, rear of Opera House Block, where it has been located for many years. Visitors to Camden will find the teams and service very satisfactory, and we take pleasure in recommending them. Hacks, buckboards and light driving teams are specialties with them. Telephone connection.

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Ice. The certainty of having pure ice, delivered with regularity, in ample quantity, and at reasonable prices, is an important factor in one's summer comfort. Crane & Handley meet all these requirements and have a large patronage. By dropping them a postal, summer residents can arrange to have their refrigerators stocked with ice on their arrival.

Summer Cottages need painting, and, if the grounds are extensive, there is a demand for farming tools, lawn mowers, etc. J. C. Curtis's old established hardware store is the center for supplies of this kind, as well as for refrigerators, window screens, screen doors and everything in hardware.

Lumber. The Camden Lumber Co. has facilities for furnishing all kinds o lumber, plain or finished. Having their own mill they make to order everything that belongs to the woodwork of the house. They have added coal and wood to their line, and solicit orders for this.

Stoves and Plumbing. J. W. Bowers has the leading stove store in town, and can be consulted regarding anything in the plumbing and heating line. Summer residents may find it to their advantage to have him attend to their plumbing requirements in advance of their arrival. Mr. Bowers looks after the sanitary work of a large number of summer cottages, having charge of them the year round.

Lumber. M. C. Whitmore & Co.'s lumber wharf is one of the busiest places n Camden. In addition to lumber the Company deals in coal, wood and hay, and furnish everything in building materials and supplies. They also carry brick and builder's hardware, inside trimmings, etc.

Driving Horses and up-to-date carriages can be purchased in Camden by those who do not care to bring their own with them. Mr. Williston Grinnell has extensive private sale stables, and has furnished practically all the fine driving and saddle horses used in Camden. Mr. Grinnell is one of Camden's most prominent citizens, and his reliability is unquestioned.

Teaming and Express. The visitor to Camden usually arrives with more or less baggage, bundles and other belongings. Mr. F. S. Farnsworth makes it his business to handle this, as well as deliver household furniture and goods of every description. His reasonable charges and prompt service have won him a large patronage.

Coal and Wood. Bird Bros. & Willey are agents for the best coal that comes into the state. They deliver in any quantity and at the shortest notice. Fireplace and stove wood in any length to suit and perfectly dry. In another department they have a large stock of hay and straw. Their wharf is the only one in Camden where yachts can obtain fresh water direct from the mains. Fine grades of flour a specialty.

Driving. The drives in Camden are endless. To go to the best places, and in the best way, one should visit a reliable livery stable like Freeman's, opposite Bay View House. Mr. Freeman has single teams, double, three horse Russian style, and four horse turnouts. Hacks, buckboards, and teams of every description.

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Picturesque Cottages. Two of the most picturesque cottages in Camden, "Breeze Hill," the summer home of Lawrence F. Abbot, of New York, and "Rockledge," that of Dr. George Strawbridge, Philadelphia, were built by Mr. C. P. Brown, contractor and builder. He is also the builder of the new cottage of Mr. W. F. Hooper, of Fall River, Mass. Mr. Brown's facilities enable him to excel in this class of work and he invites correspondence from those intending to build.

Bicycles. Camden roads are favorable to bicycling, and wheels are in such demand that W. C. Howe, of Mechanic street, has added a bicycle department to his large machine shop. He handles a full line of the leading wheels, and does a large repair business. Bicycles to let at very reasonable rates. Bicycle sundries carried. Mr. Howe is an expert machinist and can be seen for anything in this line.

Boating. Mr. John E. Daily, boat and yacht builder, referred to on another page, not only furnishes information regarding boats, yachts, sailing masters or crews, but makes a specialty of hauling out yachts for repairs and alterations, and for winter quarters.

Builders. S. G. Ritterbush is one of Camden's successful builders. Among the buildings erected by him are the summer cottages of Chauncey Keep, E. J. Wardwell and H. F. Amsden, the Opera House block and many others. These buildings indicate the quality of Mr. Ritterbush's work, and he will be pleased to give further information regarding designs, estimates, etc.

Laundry. One of the most important adjuncts of summer comfort is a good laundry. The Camden Steam Laundry, Bay View street, is such a place. Fine hand work, promptly done, has given this laundry high standing in its line. Mr. E. L. Bennett, the proprietor, will be pleased to take a sample order and show the merits of his work.

Bakery. Robert Armstrong's new bakery, just back of the Opera House, has been a success from the start. A large tile oven of the latest type ensures baking perfection, while Mr Armstrong's skill in fancy pastry and other delicacies gives him a large patronage. Summer residents and others will find Mr. Armstrong's bread and pastry a satisfactory substitute for home cooking.

Summer Vegetables. At nearly all summer resorts native vegetables, fruits and berries have to be bought of the middleman, with a loss of their flavor and freshness. Mr. William Eaton, of Camden, has made a new departure in this line, and all the products of his fine market garden and farm he delivers direct to consumers. Summer residents are fortunate who have Mr. Eaton for a regular provider.

Driving. Mr. Columbus Buswell makes a specialty of buckboards for the Mt. Battie drive and for large outing parties, his horses being specially trained for this work. He also has light carriages for local work. His teams are to be found in the square, or orders can be placed by telephone.

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Architect and Builder. Mr. W. E. Schwartz makes a specialty of summer cottage designs and estimates, and refers to a large number of prominent summer residents whose cottages he has designed and built. Among them are the Strawbridge, Judson, Justice, French, O'Connor, Chatfield and Prescott cottages. Some of the largest real estate transactions of the year have been handled by Mr. Schwartz, whose energy and skill in such matters have been of great advantage to his clients. He also acts as agent of estates, superintends improvements, and looks after the interests of absent owners. He has an intimate knowledge of Camden real estate, and can be consulted by any thinking of buying, building or renting.

Real Estate. Dr. O. G. Sherman offers high-class shore and harbor front and highland ridge property for summer resort building purposes. He may also be addressed regarding Sherman's Point.

Real Estate. "The Highlands," on Belfast Road. Several hundred acres shore and mountain side, laid out in avenues and cottage lots. Special inducements to early purchasers. Cottages built for prospective tenants. Several farmhouses are now available for rental. For full information address Camden Land Co.

Conveyancing and Examination of Titles is one of the most important parts of a real estate transaction. Reuel Robinson, Esq., a prominent attorney, with offices in Camden and Rockland, makes this work a specialty, and his certificate on a title is a guarantee of absolute safety. Mr. Robinson does an extensive real estate business, buying and renting summer property, besides being counsel for a large number of Camden interests.

Haberdashery. Visitors to Camden will meet with courteous treatment and find correct styles in men's and ladies' furnishings at Hunt's, the Haberdasher's. The latest in shirts, neckwear, collars, hats, etc. Mr. Hunt's haberdashery compares favorably with those found in our cities, carrying in stock reliable goods in the newest designs.

Plumbing. A reliable plumbing contractor is absolutely essential in places where there is no official inspection to protect the owner. Sleeper Bros., of Rockland, Me., make a specialty of high-grade sanitary plumbing and heating, and refer to the Strawbridge, Judson and Hooper cottages as examples of their work.

"Picturesque Camden." Hon. T. R. Simonton, the publisher of this attractive book, makes a specialty of real estate and insurance, renting of cottages, &c. His handsome residence is shown on page 73.

Books on Camden. T. R. Simonton's "Picturesque Camden," G. W. Morris' "Camden by the Sea," and Gilbert Patten's "Where Sweet Winds Blow," all contain views of Camden, and can be obtained at the news stands.

Lake City.

This name was originally given in jest to one of the finest inland locations in Camden. It is situated at the foot of lake Megunticook, 300 ft. above the sea level, with towering mountains on either side. The view on page 43 shows a part of it and gives a hint of its mountain environment. Right in front lies the lake dotted with beautiful islands. There are some ten cottages here, reached by the new road connecting with the Turnpike only half a mile distant, or by the regular road branching off near Molyneaux Mills. Parties taking the Turnpike Drive should return via Lake City and enjoy the wonderful series of views from the Lake City road. It is difficult to avoid the use of superlatives in speaking of this beautiful spot, where mountains and lakes are so exquisitely blended.

Among those who have cottages here and spend their Summers—some coming as early as the first of June and remaining to enjoy the beauties of the Autumn foliage—are Hon. E. L. Freeman of Providence, R. I., and G. F. Googin of Indianapolis, Ind., while Boston is represented by Mr. Geo. H. Hill of Blake & Stearns, Mrs. Ella Cleveland Fenderson the well known singer and Mr. A. M. Graves the artist, whose paintings of natural scenery show evidence of inspiration drawn from his summer home at Lake City. The fine fishing of the lake affords enjoyment to those whose taste inclines to bass or land locked salmon, and in fact the letter of Dr. Geo. W. Ellis on page 39 is but an echo of the enthusiastic praise which this beautiful spot receives from all who visit it.

Mr. Everett E. Richards of Boston and Judge Kelley of Rockland, Mass., also have cottages on the other side of the lake.

For the Protection of this Locality.

It is interesting to know that a tract of 40 acres bordering on the lake has been secured by public spirited gentlemen who have platted it, and generously offer lots to approved parties at very low prices. Some of the lots are on the water front, others are on the high ground overlooking the lake. All of them command a glorious view. For those who prefer an inland location this is an ideal spot.

For information regarding sale of cottage lots or other matters connected with this part of Camden, correspondence is recommended with Mr. Geo. H. Hill of Blake & Stearns, 87 Summer St., Boston.

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Looking from the Mountain.

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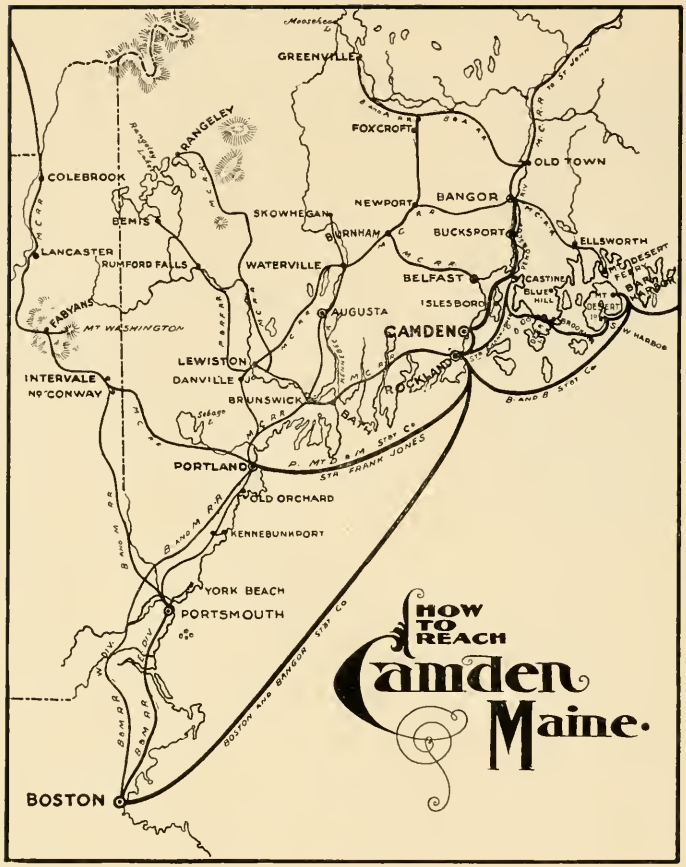
The land is not held by speculators but can be had at first hands at reasonable prices. As compared with other places land values are surprisingly low.

Any of the summer residents, or builders, or real estate agents, whose names are mentioned in the foregoing pages, would probably respond to any request for information regarding land. The officers of the Mount Battie Association can also be addressed in the matter.

As this book is not written in the interest of any person or locality, the publisher cannot make any special recommendations. The foregoing views, however, indicate the attractions of the various localities, and enable one to judge of their respective merits.



The above map shows the principal steamer and rail routes to Camden, and suggests many side trips that can be taken. The visitor should by all means take the sail from Camden up the bay and river to Bangor, and if time permits, take the sail from Bangor to Mt. Desert, and return via the Thoroughfare to Rockland. This covers the finest sailing course on the whole Atlantic Coast. The following transportation companies should be applied to for maps, pamphlets, etc.:

Boston & Bangor S. S. Co., Portland, Mt. Desert & Machias Steamboat Co., Portland S. S. Co., Portland, Me., Maine S. S. Co., Portland, Me., Maine Central R. R., Boston & Maine R. R. Local papers can be consulted for time tables of local steamer lines.

Distances from Camden Village to Places of Interest

Summit Mt. Battie—by path	1 mile	Golf Grounds	½ mile
" " " —by team	3 "	Beauchamp Point	1½ "
" " Megunticook—by path	3 "	Rockport	1½ "
Base of Bald Mt.	4 "	Shepherd Quarries	½ "
" " Ragged Mt.	4 "	Carleton Quarries	½ "
" " Mt. Pleasant	10 "	Thorndike Park	¾ "
" " Bald Peak	4 "	Sagamore Farm	2 "
Maiden Cliff	3 "	Selborne	2½ "
Young's; head of Turnpike	4 "	Ballard Park	3 "
Melvin Heights	2 "	Glen Cove	5 "
Beech Hill	3 "	Rockland	8 "
Around Mt. Megunticook	16 "	Thomaston	12 "
Around Ragged Mountain, via Mirror Lake and Hosmer's Pond	16 "	Rockville	5 "
		South Hope	8 "
		Union	12 "
Around Bald Mountain, via Washington St. and return via Hosmer's Pond	16 "	Owl's Head	12 "
		Warrenton	6 "
		Bay Point Hotel	6½ "
		West Rockport	4½ "
Negro Island	1 "	Lincolnville Beach	6 "
Sherman's Point—by boat	1 "	Northport	15 "
Lily Pond	¾ "	Belfast	18 "
Hosmer's Pond	3½ "	Islesboro	6 "
Mirror Lake and Water Works	6 "	Pulpit Harbor	9 "
Grassy Pond	7 "	Mark Island	4 "
Lake Chickawaukee	5 "	Saddle Island	4 "
Megunticook Lake	2½ "	Lazell's Island	5 "
Lake City	2½ "	Long Island	9 "
Molyneaux's Mills	2½ "	Lime Island	5 "

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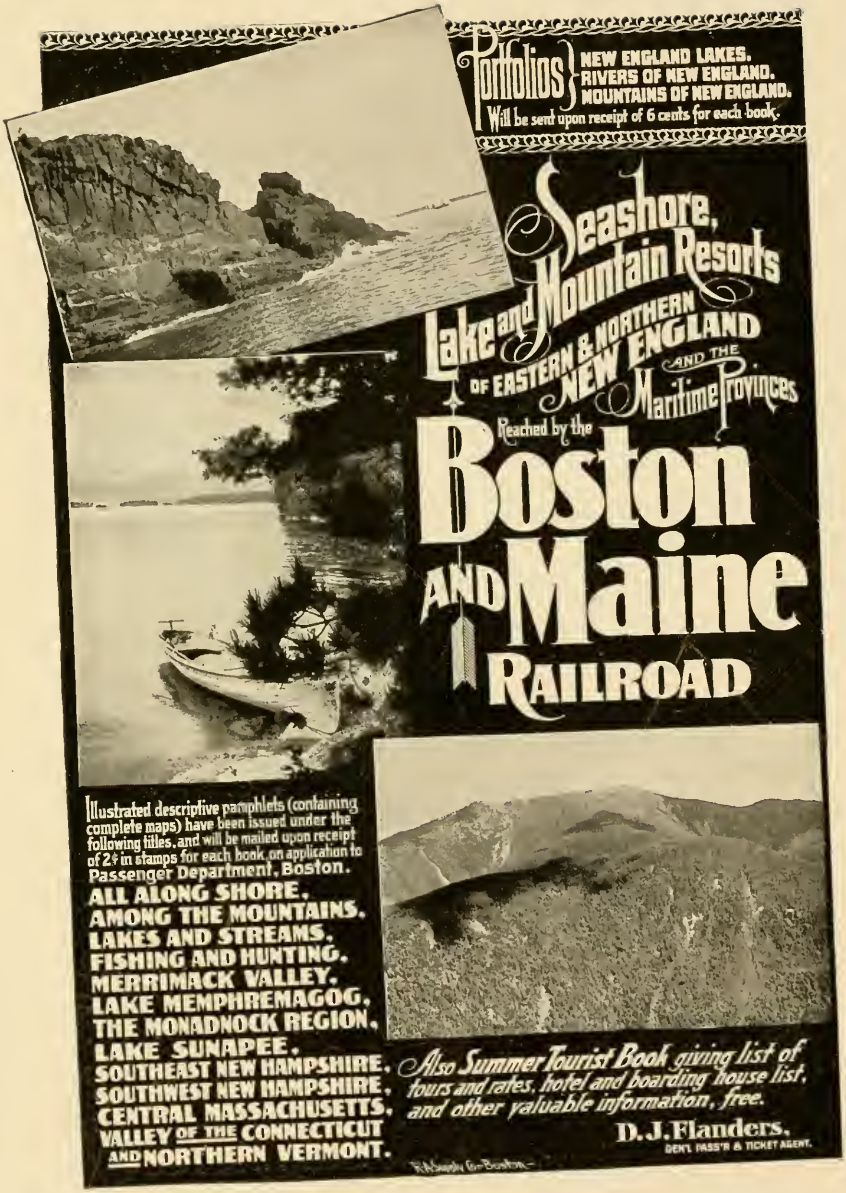
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